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QRP-L Digest 2761

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- 14) [141512] FOX: Where are they?
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 15) [141513] FOX: QRM
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 16) [141514] Re: demise??
by Larry - WA2DGD <wa2dgd@comcast.net>
- 17) [141515] FOX: Fox locations
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 18) [141516] FOX- nothing heard in eastern Iowa
by Kevin L Anderson <k9iua@juno.com>
- 19) [141517] Re: FS: MFJ-202B RX Noise Bridge

by K2PQ <k2pq@comcast.net>
20) [141518] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by "Lee Mairs" <lmairs@direcway.com>
21) [141519] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
22) [141520] FOX -- W0MC -- Where'd He Go?
by Todd Enders <enders@bolshoi.cc.misu.nodak.edu>
23) [141521] FOX: Twofer
by "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
24) [141522] fox onnow
by Don Minkoff <cowchip@attbi.com>
25) [141523] ARCI 160m Contest
by "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
26) [141524] Custom Tejas SWR meter for sale
by Goemans <jgoemans@facstaff.wisc.edu>
27) [141525] Foxed by Mom Proppagattore
by Lloyd Lachow <llachow@yahoo.com>
28) [141526] FOX .. tough tonight...
by K2PQ <k2pq@comcast.net>
29) [141527] Re: FS Cheap: Journal Deal
by "Mark S. Adams, P.E." <msadams@acsu.buffalo.edu>
30) [141528] FOX: it's all too easy!?
by "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
31) [141529] 1 Fox..barely
by W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
32) [141530] Re: [fpqrp] FP QRP WAS and DXCC prizes
by "Michael Hall" <MIKE-WB8ICN@worldnet.att.net>
33) [141531] Re: FOX: it's all too easy!?
by Todd Enders <enders@bolshoi.cc.misu.nodak.edu>
34) [141532] RE: FOX: it's all too easy!?
by "Doc K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
35) [141533] Fox
by "bob baxter" <rbaxter@cybertrails.com>
36) [141534] FOX: Can't believe it... I got both
by "Jason Hissong" <jhisson1@columbus.rr.com>
37) [141535] USS Kidd active for Pearl Harbor Day
by n5ib@juno.com
38) [141536] FOX: Onefer
by Al Scanandoah <k2zn@rochester.rr.com>
39) [141537] Re: it's all too easy!?
by "Trevor Jacobs" <kg6cyn@earthlink.net>
40) [141538] FOX: W0MC had tough outing!
by "Jerry McCollom" <w0mc@radioactivehams.com>
41) [141539] Re: Fox
by "Ron KU7Y" <ku7y@tds.net>
42) [141540] Re: FOX: it's all too easy!?
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
43) [141541] Re: 1 Fox..barely

- by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
- 44) [141542] (OT?) Need Info on RFI for ICD's
by "Dennis W. Farrell" <dfarrell@ridgecrest.ca.us>
- 45) [141543] 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
- 46) [141544] FOX: N1FN Lot (at last)
by "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
- 47) [141545] Re: Silver contacts source
by Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
- 48) [141546] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by "Max Moon" <maxmoon@umn.edu>
- 49) [141547] FOX: AC7A Preliminary
by "Thomas Kuehl" <ac7a@earthlink.net>
- 50) [141548] 0300 -- Fade-out
by Ade Weiss W0RSP <adeweiss@sd.value.net>
- 51) [141549] Help with 2 Metre frequencies?
by "Doc K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
- 52) [141550] Re: (OT?) Need Info on RFI for ICD's
by Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
- 53) [141551] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by "Pastor-kc1di" <elbc2@gwi.net>
- 54) [141552] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by wb0wao@hotmail.com (Dennis Ponsness)
- 55) [141553] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 56) [141554] Re: Help with 2 Metre frequencies?
by "E. Roswell" <eroswell@monmouth.com>
- 57) [141555] RE: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
- 58) [141556] Regular stickers for magmounts?
by Alex <kr1st@amsat.org>
- 59) [141557] Re: FOX: N1FN Lot (at last)
by "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
- 60) [141558] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by geoff allsup <gallsup@whoi.edu>
- 61) [141559] FOX: Observations
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 62) [141560] RE: The demise of old radio stores
by "Steve Lawrence" <Steve.Lawrence@itwfeg.com>
- 63) [141561] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by David Hinerman <WD8CIV@worldnet.att.net>
- 64) [141562] Re: FOX: Observations
by W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
- 65) [141563] RE: The demise of old radio stores
by Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
- 66) [141564] PIC Wx Station Part 2 from QQ Now on the web
by "Dave Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>
- 67) [141565] RE: The demise of old radio stores

by Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
68) [141566]
by "James Reid" <jreid4@earthlink.net>
69) [141567] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by "Francis Callahan" <colcal@srv.net>
70) [141568] RE: The demise of old radio stores
by Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
71) [141569] Re: PIC Wx Station Part 2 from QQ Now on the web
by "Ron KU7Y" <ku7y@tds.net>
72) [141570] Re: FOX: Why does the sun do this on Thursday?
by Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>
73) [141571] Re: Regular stickers for magmounts?
by WE7X@aol.com
74) [141572] Re: The demise of old radio stores
by dmaliniak@penton.com
75) [141573] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by "W7KXB" <w7kxb@cox.net>
76) [141574] No QRP Content, but I want to share this with my friends
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
77) [141575] Re: PIC Wx Station Part 2 from QQ Now on the web
by "David Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>
78) [141576] 300 ohm and 450 ohm window/ladder line
by "Chuck Adams, K7Q0" <k7qo@earthlink.net>
79) [141577] WBL Paddle information wanted
by "Chuck Adams, K7Q0" <k7qo@earthlink.net>
80) [141578] KK5LD Where are you?
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
81) [141579] Re: FOX: it's all too easy!?
by "Merton Nellis" <mertnellis@msn.com>
82) [141580] Express pcb
by Dave Pomeroy <dave@dpomeroy.com>
83) [141581] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!
by "tmyers" <tmyers@academicplanet.com>
84) [141582] READ your handbook!
by "Glen Leinweber" <leinwebe@mcmail.cis.mcmaster.ca>
85) [141583] Re: WBL Paddle information wanted
by <igeq100@iupui.edu>
86) [141584] Re: READ your handbook!
by W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
87) [141585] Buy and... Re: READ your handbook!
by Paul Valko <w8kc@comcast.net>
88) [141586] Re: READ your handbook!
by KD5NWA <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
89) [141587] Re: READ your handbook!
by William R Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>
90) [141588] Fwd: Re: [CW] Fwd: WBL Paddle information wanted
by Ed Tanton <n4xy@earthlink.net>
91) [141589] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!

by "KB0VCC" <kb0vcc@adelphia.net>
92) [141590] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!
by David Hinerman <WD8CIV@worldnet.att.net>
93) [141591] OT - Need Schematics
by w2xn@netzero.net
94) [141592] PCB Drilling Question
by W2EB <w2eb@twcnny.rr.com>
95) [141593] Rock-Mite Magic!!!
by "Trevor Jacobs" <kg6cyn@earthlink.net>
96) [141594] Lesson learned.
by Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
97) [141595] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!
by Michael Pupeza <mpupeza@sympatico.ca>
98) [141596] Re: Rock-Mite Magic!!!
by "Norman Zoltack" <k3nz@enter.net>
99) [141597] OT: Presentation-quality schematics
by "Ian Wilson" <ianmwilson@earthlink.net>
100) [141598] Rock-Mite Q6 Transistor Test
by Chuck Carpenter <w5usj@9plus.net>
101) [141599] Time for Moxie!
by Kenneth Hoglund <hoglund@wfu.edu>
102) [141600] Re: READ your handbook!
by "Howard Kraus" <K2UD@adelphia.net>
103) [141601] OT/Stubborn file to remove
by Ed Tanton <n4xy@earthlink.net>
104) [141602] RE: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by "Dave Richards" <wr3i@earthlink.net>
105) [141603] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by "w8diz" <w8diz@fpqrp.com>
106) [141604] Need 4-conductor computer cable
by "Doc K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
107) [141605] RE: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
by "Dave Richards" <wr3i@earthlink.net>

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 12:11:49 -0600
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141499] RE: 160 Test
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Like several others, I got nothing but excuses this time. Wanted to participate but I had a date--went to see some high decibel rock 'n roll guy in a Little Rock club with my son. Got back at 1:15 AM and hooked up

the broken down inverted L. Just heard one station. He seemed to be doing the QRP limbo with a KH6. I'd hear him say, "Now try one watt ... now try 1/2 watt ... now 250 milliwatts." Needless to say, I didn't hear the KH6.

Hope to make amends this weekend. I started the K9AY receiving loop last weekend but didn't get it done. I'm trying to finish it today. This weekend I'll probably be QRO at the big tower as K5BAT. If I've got the loop working, I hope to be able to dig out any QRP signals that may be around.

If I really DO finish the loop today ... maybe some of you didn't get enough one-sixty last night and I'll hear you tonight.

72--Nick, WA5BDU

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 18:47:38 -0600
From: "Hal" <kc0bdw2@hotmail.com>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141500] RE: The demise of old radio stores
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All this talk about old radio stores is making me think I missed a lot of things... I don't even remember Heathkit stores.

KC0BDW
Hal

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:54:06 -0500
From: "Alan Fryer" <N3BJ@hotmail.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141501] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <0E13oYAPNXRPmcarcR400003d6b@hotmail.com>
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I remember the old Pioneer Radio in Cleveland. Went there one time and traded an EICO 753 (Seven-Drifty-Three) for a Heathkit Mohawk RX. They had lots of surplus stuff as I recall, parts and some rigs.

Also, used to visit AES in Cleveland back in the 60s.. Featured a fat guy who was ALWAYS eating a giant sub when we made the trip from Erie (PA) on Saturday mornings. They had lots of used stuff - great for the eyes, but none of us could afford it !

Alan, N3BJ
Snowbound in in SW VA

----- Original Message -----

From: "Hal" <kc0bdw2@hotmail.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 7:47 PM
Subject: RE: The demise of old radio stores

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> All this talk about old radio stores is making me think I missed a lot
> of things... I don't even remember Heathkit stores.
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> KCOBDW
> Hal
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Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 20:05:00 -0500
From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>, <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>
Subject: [141502] FP QRP WAS and DXCC prizes
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Hi, guys and gals,

Youze guys may have forgotten that I had opened my big mouth and =
promised prizes to the entrants in the Flying Pigs WAS and DXCC 2002 =
operating event. An ARRL Handbook filched by yours truly from the "bent =

cover" bin in shipping was going to go to the first WAS and the first = DXCC, any mode.

I had also promised a "random" drawing of all of those who had = participated as of December 1. =20

Well, the Holiday spirit has moved me, so I am upping the ante a bit. I = did the random drawings today, and decided that I had a few extra = bent-cover books, so let me announce a few additional prize winners.

The WAS overall winner was W5VAF on SSB. To have done WAS on SSB in 13 = days is quite an accomplishment. He gets a choice of 2003 Handbook or = Antenna Book. (I hear he is under the weather, so if any of you can = reach him, let him know he won and ask him to let me know what prize he = wants.)

The DXCC overall winnder was AF4PS mixed. He gets a choice of 2003 = Handbook or Antenna Book.

The WAS random drawing was WV9N. He gets a choice of 2003 Handbook or = Antenna Book.

The DXCC random drawing was N10DL. He gets a choice of 2003 Handbook or = Antenna Book.

Youze guys need to let me know which book you want. If I don't hear from = you, I will pick one. And I bet you forgot all about the random drawing = thing, eh?

That leaves:

First WAS CW - W8DIZ - I will send a nice book. (Evil grin!)

First WAS mixed - K8ZT - I will send a nice book.

First DXCC SSB - K3NG - I will send a nice book. This is a runner up, as = the winner was actually K8ZT, but nobody gets two books. :-)

First DXCC CW - N8IE - I will send a nice book (Even more evil grin!) - = This is a 2nd runner up, as the winner was actually AF4PS followed by = K8ZT.=20

It was a bit hard juggling the DXCC CW and SSB winners because of the = runner-up thing, but seeing as everybody who made everything except DXCC = CW got a prize and N8IE got his before everybody who didn't get a prize, = I think I did the fair thing. And all the Piggies want to see N8IE get = his, right? Seriously, I will email you "free book" guys and see if you = need the book I have selected for you. I don't want to duplicate your = library. The bent-cover bin is not a complete selection of ARRL pubs.

And DON'T tell anyone where all these books came from; I get in enough =

trouble around ARRL HQ as it is!

The results are all posted on:

http://fpqrp.com/pig_dxccwas.html

73,=20

Ed Hare, W1RFI

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Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 17:07:01 -0800

From: Stephen Hawkins <ww6u@attbi.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [141503] Re: The demise of old radio stores

Message-ID: <200212060107.gB617eHq013355@rain.CC.Lehigh.EDU>

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QRP-L,

On Thursday 05 December 2002 04:47 pm, Hal wrote:

> All this talk about old radio stores is making me think I missed a lot
> of things... I don't even remember Heathkit stores.

I almost never respond to these threads but this one has brought back so many memories. Any of you from the San Francisco Bay area will probably remember M&B Electronics in Oakland. I spent hours in there looking at everything. It was owned by K6UWD who is in his 80's now and still on the air. I speak to him often and see him as often as I can.

I got my first rig in a Heath Kit store. I bought the kit the day after I passed my test at the FCC at 555 Battery Street in SF. The worst place in the world to take a code test. Loud city buses right outside the open window.

Thanks for the memories,
Steve

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Stephen Hawkins WV6U
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Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 20:13:10 -0500
From: "Mark S. Adams, P.E." <msadams@acsu.buffalo.edu>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141504] FS Cheap: Journal Deal
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Hi Gang,

I am cleaning out a bit and am offering the following. As we tell
departments at work, it is good to reduce your fire loading!

QRP Quarterly
1997 APR, JUL, OCT
1998 ALL ISSUES
1999 ALL ISSUES
2000 ALL ISSUES
2001 ALL BUT OCT
2002 ALL ISSUES

\$10 + shipping from 14031 and the lot is yours. I think USPS has a cheap
rate for printed materials so it won't be expensive.

QRPP
1996 JUN, SEPT, DEC
1997-2001 COMPLETE

Again \$10 plus shipping from 14031 at the book rate will do.

Let me know via email. First come first served!

72,
Mark K2QO

Now to tackle 10 years worth of Franklin Planner materials.....

I have fond memories of the Henry Radio store in Butler, Missouri. My first trip there was when I was about 12 or 13 years old and I made the 4 hour trip with some of the other local hams. I made many trips after that and was always in awe at the equipment on display. I got to be friends with everyone there over the years and would always enjoy a trip to the service area and bench and a visit with George the tech. Before going home Mike would usually make me a deal I couldn't refuse still obvious today looking around the shack.
...Charlie...KC0EH...

On Thursday 05 December 2002 07:05 pm, Hare,Ed, W1RFI wrote:

> The DXCC overall winnder was AF4PS mixed. He gets a choice of 2003
> Handbook or Antenna Book.

(Sri, couldn't resist :^))

[illegible]

Rob Matherly - Plano, Iowa - EN301s
http://www.qsl.net/w0jrm
ARRL -- FPqrp -330 -- IA QRP #143
SOC #497 -- QRPp-I #19
Using Mandrake Linux 99.9% of the time...
SAMPO!

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 20:33:59 -0500
From: "carl seyresdahl" <carlseye@tampabay.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141507] demise??
Message-ID: <001301c29cc7\$8d4aa6e0\$ee014918@tampabay.rr.com>
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I'm an "oldtimer" maybe.
when I was i the army, 1948, at signal school in ft. monmouth, NJ. I went
to NYC. several times.. How well I remember "cortlandt" st. in nyc..near as
I can remember , several blocks of "surplus" military "junque".
years later, (1955 +/-) many of our "senior" hams were modifying and/or
converting the ARC-5 receivers for anything up to ten mtrs. with good
results.
the xmtrs were a disaster as far as TVI wasconcerned.
But Boy did we have fun with the rcvrs. and our own HB xmtrs.we also had
many other rigs to play with, too many to even mention here.!!!
AAAAAHHHHH.. !!! what memories. !!!!
carl / kz5ca

Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 20:44:19 -0500
From: Fran Flynn <fflynn@adelphia.net>
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Subject: [141508] 160m
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Why can't we hear anything on 160? Two words, Christmas lights!

Bah, Humbug! (only kidding)

But really, a couple years ago I had a really high noise level, appeared in late November, dissapeared in January. Kind of seems like badly wired outdoor lights to me, of course I guess I'll never know for sure.

I did work 2 stations on 160 qrp Wed night, AA3SJ and W3TS, thanks for the Qrp Qso's. I was running a 260' loop fed as a top loaded "T", with the household water pipe as a ground. Maybe next time I'll have a real antenna.

I might run some more temporary ground wires and do the 160 contest this weekend.

160m antennas are tough on postage stamp lots like mine.

72, Fran, Km1z

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:13:54 -0700
From: "Rod N0RC" <rod@n0rc.us>
To: "qrp-1" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141509] Of FOX & Rock-Mites
Message-ID: <007701c29ccd\$20bb26c0\$6401a8c0@greyrock>
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Folks,

Jerry, W0MC, picked a very Rock-Mite friendly TX Freq. 7037.7. If your Rock-Mite operates on or near 7039 (most do) GO GET HIM! The wide front end of the RM should allow you to here Jerry, while TXing abt 1+ kHz up.

Happy Holidays

73, Rod N0RC leading the charge of the Rock-Mite Fox Brigade

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 18:26:41 -0800
From: Steve Smith <sigcom@juno.com>

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Subject: [141510] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <20021205.182641.-16299255.0.sigcom@juno.com>
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I don't usually jump into these threads but being a scrounger I just couldn't resist this one.

My favorite place to go when I was a Novice was J.J. Glass in Los Angeles. When I got my ticket I couldn't drive but every once in a while I was able to con my Dad into taking me down there, about 50 miles from home.

J.J.'s was in a very old and dark industrial building just stuffed with military surplus electronic equipment stacked to the roof. But what I remember most fondly about the place were the large wooden bins right in the middle of the sales floor just piled and I mean -piled- with FT-243 crystals. I'd spend most of my time there pawing through those bins looking for rocks inside the Ham bands. And they were cheap too. Like 3 for a buck or 50 Cents or something like that. Ah, man. Hog heaven.

After I got my driver's license I would buzz down to L.A. and J.J.'s whenever I got the chance. But then one day I arrived only to find their doors locked. I peered through the dusty windows and strained my eyes to see.....nothing but an empty building.

J.J. Glass was gone.

73.....Steve Smith WB6TNL
Oxnard, CA USA
"Snort Rosin"

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Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:32:48 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: Rod N0RC <rod@n0rc.us>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141511] Re: Of FOX & Rock-Mites
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0212051931410.3007-100000@bucket.dog>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Well Rod there is a QRO QSO on 7037.7 now. I hear nothing of Jerry!

On Thu, 5 Dec 2002, Rod N0RC wrote:

> Folks,
>
> Jerry, W0MC, picked a very Rock-Mite friendly TX Freq. 7037.7. If your
> Rock-Mite operates on or near 7039 (most do) GO GET HIM! The wide front
> end of the RM should allow you to here Jerry, while TXing abt 1+ kHz up.
>
> ***Happy Holidays***
> 73, Rod N0RC leading the charge of the Rock-Mite Fox Brigade
>
>
>
--

- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:35:09 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141512] FOX: Where are they?
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0212051933430.3007-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I know I'm too close to both fox. I may not hear either one. But
if someone further away can tell me where they are I might hear
something.

--

- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:37:41 -0700 (MST)

From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141513] FOX: QRM
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0212051936490.3007-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I found Jerry but he is under massive QRM now on 7037.7 MHz

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 21:42:25 -0500
From: Larry - WA2DGD <wa2dgd@comcast.net>
To: carlseye@tampabay.rr.com,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141514] Re: demise??
Message-ID: <005d01c29cd1\$1cc3d810\$6701a8c0@hamroom>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

I'm not quite as "oldtimer" but I can remember leaving Stuyvesant High School and going to Cortlandt St. and just looking in amazement at all the "stuff".

I also remember Henry Radio in NYC along with Harrison Radio and I think I bought my Galaxy V mk III at Arrow Electronics in NYC.

Yes, the memories!!!!

73

Larry

WA2DGD

K2 #1672

ARCI QRP #11215

NJ-QRP# 395

----- Original Message -----

From: "carl seyresdahl" <carlseye@tampabay.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 8:33 PM
Subject: demise??

> I'm an "oldtimer" maybe.

> when I was in the army, 1948, at signal school in ft. monmouth, NJ. I went
> to NYC. several times.. How well I remember "cortlandt" st. in nyc..near
as
> I can remember , several blocks of "surplus" military "junk".
> years later, (1955 +/-) many of our "senior" hams were modifying and/or
> converting the ARC-5 receivers for anything up to ten mtrs. with good
> results.
> the xmtrs were a disaster as far as TVI was concerned.
> But Boy did we have fun with the rcvrs. and our own HB xmtrs. we also had
> many other rigs to play with, too many to even mention here.!!!
> AAAAAHHHHH.. !!! what memories. !!!!
> carl / kz5ca
>
>

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:46:56 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141515] FOX: Fox locations
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0212051944180.3034-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Well I can't hear either one, but AL7A is on about 7.045.3 and
W0MC is about 7037.7 but neither is even esp level in New Mexico. Guess
I will watch TV.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 02:47:45 +0000
From: Kevin L Anderson <k9iua@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141516] FOX- nothing heard in eastern Iowa
Message-ID: <20021206.024813.6990.0.K9IUA@juno.com>

I turned the radio on at 0230. Can't hear either fox, nor
any hunters whatsoever. Several QSOs going on throughout
the stretch, but no foxii or hunters at all.

Oh well, another week of hunting lost. Kinda reminds me of four to five years ago when the midwest seemed to develop an RF hole about December that seemed to last until February when foxii couldn't be heard. '9PWP up in Wisconsin will remember them days, as we used to comment back and forth about that each week. Yet it's not the same exactly.

Ciao. Might as well get some rest tonight.

73,

Kevin, K9IUA

Kevin Anderson, K9IUA, Dubuque, Iowa

K9IUA (at) juno (dot) com Opinions all my own.

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Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 22:00:20 -0500

From: K2PQ <k2pq@comcast.net>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [141517] Re: FS: MFJ-202B RX Noise Bridge

Message-ID: <008c01c29cd3\$9ccb8010\$0500a8c0@DOWNSTAIRS>

MIME-version: 1.0

Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1

Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

You can get noise for free on 160. :)

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:54:06 -0500

From: "Lee Mairs" <lmairs@direcway.com>

To: "qrp1" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [141518] Re: The demise of old radio stores

Message-ID: <007501c29cd4\$51055920\$2202a8c0@J4>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There used to be a great surplus store on the west side of Rochester when I was a graduate student in the early 70s. Believe the owner's name was Sam

Denisi.

Anybody know if it is still there?
73 de Lee
km4yy

----- Original Message -----

From: "Thomas H. Busch" <tomb@kiva.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 3:58 PM
Subject: Re: The demise of old radio stores

> There are still a few around, but I fear they are going fast.
>
> There are still a few family-owned stores around, like here in
> Bloomington, IN we have Stansifer Radio. They don't have a web site, I
> believe it is still a cash business, but they do have a lot of parts.
> Most of their business is service supply, but they also carry the Jameco
> stuff.
>
> Indianapolis has Milo's still, and I usually find what I need when I go
> there. There used to be a Dick Smith/American Electronics store in
> Greenwood, but I think they are gone.
>
> Back in Angola, IN, where I went to college, there was Lakeland
> Electronics Supply. The owner, Donn Laird (also a ham) had a motto:
> "It's an ill wind
> that doesn't blow someone's antenna tower down." Last I heard they were
> still in business.
>
> I guess my point is that there are still alternatives to RS, and bless
> them they're great places to spend an hour or so. I'm afraid that as the
> owners retire, they will probably close up, though.
>
> Tom WB8WOR
>

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 22:06:26 -0500
From: "brian" <brian@iquest.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141519] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <00aa01c29cd4\$77f0ba20\$11692bd1@bmurrey2K>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

We used to have a Lafayette Electronics store within a bike ride from where I grew up. Spent many hours drooling over the goodies there. We also had a nice independent store in downtown Indy, Graham Electronics. They had ham gear, high end audio (Macintosh...the amp, not the computer), and parts galore. Another one within a bike ride was American Electronics in Greenwood IN, I think they bought up all the old Dick Smith stuff at one time too...always had oodles and gobs of surplus scanner stuff, cordless phone parts, etc etc.

73

----- Original Message -----

From: "Charles" <cvest@hit.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 8:24 PM
Subject: Re: The demise of old radio stores

> I have fond memories of the Henry Radio store in Butler, Missouri.
> My first trip there was when I was about 12 or 13 years old and I made the 4
> hour trip with some of the other local hams.
> I made many trips after that and was always in awe at the equipment on
> display.
> I got to be friends with everyone there over the years and would always
> enjoy a trip to the service area and bench and a visit with George the tech.
> Before going home Mike would usually make me a deal I couldn't refuse still
> obvious today looking around the shack.
> ...Charlie...KC0EH...
>
>
>

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 21:04:11 -0600
From: Todd Enders <enders@bolshoi.cc.misu.nodak.edu>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [141520] FOX -- W0MC -- Where'd He Go?
Message-ID: <200212060304.AA01175@bolshoi.cc.misu.nodak.edu>
Content-Type: text/plain
Mime-Version: 1.0 (NeXT Mail 4.2mach_patches v148.2)

Heard him for a bit early around 7035.1, but he must have moved due to QRM. Can't find him now. Must have found a *good* place to hide! :-) Spot please?

72/73,

Todd, AG0T

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 22:08:51 -0500
From: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141521] FOX: Twofer
Message-ID: <000501c29cd4\$cda779e0\$6b2a0843@swfla.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bagged AC7A (Tom in Ariz.) at 0230 UTC (7.042.50).
Good 559 both ways.

Bagged W0MC (Jerry in Colo.) around 0248 UTC (7.037.70).
He's was 339 with a QRO QSO on top of him.
I'm certain Jerry heard me better then I heard him.
I heard very few hounds competing with me calling him.
Perhaps only a few Hounds were hearing Jerry well enough to call him.

The VEs can be heard here SW Florida - good signals.

Tom, N1TP
Naples, Florida

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 03:15:22 -0800
From: Don Minkoff <cowchip@attbi.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu

Subject: [141522] fox onnow
Message-ID: <3DF086CA.1010006@attbi.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Jerry, W0MC, is very weak in CA but I can copy him now on 7037.53
calling ...listening up 1

NK6A
Don

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 19:18:48 -0800
From: "Bob Tellefsen" <n6wg@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141523] ARCI 160m Contest
Message-ID: <MABBJOEABOILMKCJCLFCCENHDMAA.n6wg@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well, that was marginal. Conditions certainly less than good. Fair might be optimistic, even.
I did manage to work 21 stations, though, with TX and HI as my best DX from San Francisco Bay.
I folded my tent at 10:30PM PST, as there were no more signals to be found then.
Final take was 21 stations in 10 states, including HI as a DX contact.

There was a lot of quick QSB. Had several stations call me, and when I turned it back to them after my reply, they had faded away, never to return.

I discovered I was a bit of a QRP Alligator for a while last night. I was using an experimental setup on my receiving loop that was supposed to improve the noise rejection from the rear. It turned out to reject noise alright, but signals from all around as well. I've had reports of stations calling me that I never heard at all. Think I'll return the Flag loop to its stock arrangement tomorrow.

Anyway, I had fun and it was a good pre-contest shakedown of the station.

Hope to work as many of you as conditions permit this weekend.

73, Bob N6WG

=====

73, 72 es oo, Lloyd, K3ESE
K1 # 00379 - 20/40M Rock-Mites - Hunk o' Wahr
ARRL - ARS #1301 - FISTS #8774
FPqrp #476 - QRParci #11147
QRP-L #2415 - SOC #530
HGT #6'1 - Wgt #190 - BT #B-
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Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 22:26:01 -0500
From: K2PQ <k2pq@comcast.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141526] FOX .. tough tonight...
Message-ID: <009201c29cd7\$33df7760\$0500a8c0@DOWNSTAIRS>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

Well I think I made both logs. QRN and QSB so bad in SNJ I'm not 100% sure.

Frank K2PQ

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 03:27:32 -0000
From: "Mark S. Adams, P.E." <msadams@acsu.buffalo.edu>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141527] Re: FS Cheap: Journal Deal
Message-ID: <4283238.1039145252@K2Q0>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Disposition: inline

Took only a few minutes to sell the lot.

Ya know, I have been on the list since nearly the beginning and if you wanted to buy a hot rig you'd have to get the email live and have your computer on 24/7. When that FS post came up it was buy it now or else!

Mark K2QO
QRP-L #314

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 22:30:19 -0500
From: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141528] FOX: it's all too easy!?
Message-ID: <000501c29cd7\$cd6d76c0\$6b2a0843@swfla.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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Band went to pot - almost no CW heard after 0315.

Prediction: The list of Hounds batting 1.000 is going to get
a lot shorter as a result of this evening's band conditions.

Tom, N1TP
Naples, Florida

Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 22:36:42 -0500
From: W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141529] 1 Fox..barely
Message-ID: <3DEFD4FA.754.2F6747F@localhost>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

My apologies to AC7A. I just about did everything wrong. He was pretty
weak here by 0330 when I finally got him, and then I:

1. Hit the A=B button instead of the A/B button when switching VFOs, effectively losing my transmit frequency...while he is coming back to me.

2. Got him again...and forgot to send my name. (Did send a fill, however, after he very politely said "name?" instead of "what's wrong with you, stupid?"

I'm going to bed now. Maybe I'll be better in the morning.....

Can't believe I never heard WOMC. He usually booms in here. Guess skip was long again.

+---+---+---+---+ John L. Sielke
|W||2||A||G||N| http://www.w2agn.net [UPDATED]
+---+---+---+---+ Ex-K3HLU,TF2WKT,W7JEF,W4MPC,N4JS

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 22:45:55 -0500
From: "Michael Hall" <MIKE-WB8ICN@worldnet.att.net>
To: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>, <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>,
<fpqrp-l@mpna.com>
Subject: [141530] Re: [fpqrp] FP QRP WAS and DXCC prizes
Message-ID: <006501c29cd9\$fc98bde0\$6c672581@hppav>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Congrats to all you fine swine!!!

00's...Mikey

----- Original Message -----

From: "Hare,Ed, W1RFI" <w1rfi@arrl.org>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>; <fpqrp-l@mpna.com>
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 8:05 PM
Subject: [fpqrp] FP QRP WAS and DXCC prizes

> Hi, guys and gals,

>

> Youze guys may have forgotten that I had opened my big mouth and promised prizes to the entrants in the Flying Pigs WAS and DXCC 2002 operating event. An ARRL Handbook filched by yours truly from the "bent cover" bin in

shipping was going to go to the first WAS and the first DXCC, any mode.

>

> I had also promised a "random" drawing of all of those who had participated as of December 1.

>

> Well, the Holiday spirit has moved me, so I am upping the ante a bit. I did the random drawings today, and decided that I had a few extra bent-cover books, so let me announce a few additional prize winners.

>

> The WAS overall winner was W5VAF on SSB. To have done WAS on SSB in 13 days is quite an accomplishment. He gets a choice of 2003 Handbook or Antenna Book. (I hear he is under the weather, so if any of you can reach him, let him know he won and ask him to let me know what prize he wants.)

>

> The DXCC overall winner was AF4PS mixed. He gets a choice of 2003 Handbook or Antenna Book.

>

> The WAS random drawing was WV9N. He gets a choice of 2003 Handbook or Antenna Book.

>

> The DXCC random drawing was N10DL. He gets a choice of 2003 Handbook or Antenna Book.

>

> Youse guys need to let me know which book you want. If I don't hear from you, I will pick one. And I bet you forgot all about the random drawing thing, eh?

>

> That leaves:

>

> First WAS CW - W8DIZ - I will send a nice book. (Evil grin!)

> First WAS mixed - K8ZT - I will send a nice book.

> First DXCC SSB - K3NG - I will send a nice book. This is a runner up, as the winner was actually K8ZT, but nobody gets two books. :-)

> First DXCC CW - N8IE - I will send a nice book (Even more evil grin!) - This is a 2nd runner up, as the winner was actually AF4PS followed by K8ZT.

>

> It was a bit hard juggling the DXCC CW and SSB winners because of the runner-up thing, but seeing as everybody who made everything except DXCC CW got a prize and N8IE got his before everybody who didn't get a prize, I think I did the fair thing. And all the Piggies want to see N8IE get his, right? Seriously, I will email you "free book" guys and see if you need the book I have selected for you. I don't want to duplicate your library. The bent-cover bin is not a complete selection of ARRL pubs.

>

> And DON'T tell anyone where all these books came from; I get in enough trouble around ARRL HQ as it is!

>

> The results are all posted on:

>
> http://fpqrp.com/pig_dxccwas.html
>
> 73,
> Ed Hare, W1RFI
> ARRL Lab
> 225 Main St
> Newington, CT 06111
> Tel: 860-594-0318
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Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 21:42:20 -0600
From: Todd Enders <enders@bolshoi.cc.misu.nodak.edu>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141531] Re: FOX: it's all too easy!?
Message-ID: <200212060342.AA01545@bolshoi.cc.misu.nodak.edu>
Content-Type: text/plain
Mime-Version: 1.0 (NeXT Mail 4.2mach_patches v148.2)

"Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com> writes:

>No one can honestly say that the Fox Hunting
>was "just too easy" during the QRP-L Fox Hunt of
>December 5th (State side time) (December 6 UTC), 2002.
>

Tom, you are a master of understatement. :-)

>Lots of white noise and heavy QSB.
>

Yup

>Between 0130 to 0230 UTC, 40 meters CW sounded wall-to-wall.
>Band went to pot - almost no CW heard after 0315.
>

I hear a few QRO guys down the band, but all over 1000 miles out. Seeing lots of 160m DX spots. Assuming band has gone way long.

>Prediction: The list of Hounds batting 1.000 is going to get
>a lot shorter as a result of this evening's band conditions.
>

No doubt! Conditions made the 160m sprint last night seem rather easy by comparison... :-)

72/73,

Todd, AG0T

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 21:46:39 -0600
From: "Doc K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
To: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>,
"qrp-l reflector" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Cc: "doc k0evz earthlink" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
Subject: [141532] RE: FOX: it's all too easy!?
Message-ID: <412002125634639144@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII

Tom:

Well put, and I will second that. Tonite and last week listening for the FOXes has been like standing next to a buzz saw here. Finally bagged Thomas AC7A tonite, but as of 0344 not hearing Jerry. Can hear a few hunters in there, so will not give up yet, but time is running out.

73,

--Doc/K0EVZ

> [Original Message]
> From: Tom Palmer <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
> Date: 12/5/2002 9:30:19 PM
> Subject: FOX: it's all too easy!?
>
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> was "just too easy" during the QRP-L Fox Hunt of December
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>
> Tom, N1TP
> Naples, Florida
>
>
>

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 20:47:39 -0700
From: "bob baxter" <rbaxter@cybertrails.com>
To: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141533] Fox
Message-ID: <021e01c29cda\$3a869fa0\$0b552aa2@bobbaxte>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

AC7A on 7042.21 and getting louder for the close in stations.

Bob Baxter AA7EQ
Bisbee, Az.

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 22:49:35 -0500
From: "Jason Hisson" <jhisson1@columbus.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141534] FOX: Can't believe it... I got both
Message-ID: <00ba01c29cda\$7e70cb00\$6e01a8c0@procyon>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Wow,

Patience paid off... earlier could not hear either of them. Waited until about 3:30UTC when I heard AC7A coming in pretty strong. Bagged him first call. WQMC proved more difficult. When I worked em, he was fading in and out pretty bad. However, he rose to a solid signal a little later.... he was pretty lonely...

Hopefully tonight may help the Loco-motives move up a little ;o)

Thanks again guys for another great Thursday night... I look forward to em...

72/73,
Jason Hissong - N8XE
<http://www.qsl.net/n8xe>
FISTS #6338
QRPARCI #11347
FPQRP #443
QRP-L #2431
ARLHS #661

Homebrew CW Decoder:
Notepad (optional)
Pencil (optional)
Brain (required)

Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 22:51:06 EST
From: n5ib@juno.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu, elecraft@mailman.qth.net
Subject: [141535] USS Kidd active for Pearl Harbor Day
Message-ID: <20021205.214743.7615.0.n5ib@juno.com>

Louisiana Naval War Memorial
Baton Rouge LA

USS Kidd, DD-661, was named for Rear Admiral Isaac Campbell Kidd, killed in action on 7 December 1941 aboard his flagship USS Arizona. He was posthumously awarded the Medal of Honor for his gallantry under fire that day.

In commemoration, W5KID, aboard USS Kidd, DD-661, will be on the air with two stations, possibly a third, Saturday Dec 7, from about 1500Z until 2300Z. Probably mostly 20 m ssb, 10 m ssb if that band is open, 15 m ssb, potentially some 40 m and 30 m CW. Just above the lower edge of the general phone bands and near the QRP watering holes for CW. TenTec Jupiter and K2 #1233 should see service.

QSL information on the QRZ.COM listing for W5KID

...lest we forget...

73

Jim N5IB

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Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 22:54:06 -0500
From: Al Scanandoah <k2zn@rochester.rr.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141536] FOX: Onefer
Message-ID: <3DF01F5E.2080507@rochester.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Worked AC7A right near the start, then spent until now trying to just hear W0MC well enough to try to work.; never got there. Had all filters on the Omni V cranked to "11" and used aux. active RX loop, but no joy.

Al, K2ZN

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 20:03:04 -0800
From: "Trevor Jacobs" <kg6cyn@earthlink.net>
To: <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141537] Re: it's all too easy!?
Message-ID: <00b201c29cdc\$6162d380\$8bbeb2d1@tjacobs>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I agree 100% Tom! Boy tonight was a rough one, but I eventually bagged both foxii. Band CondX were terrible tonight, the worst I've heard. I got AC7A around 03:20 and W0MC around 03:32. Local noise was high and signals were around ESP levels. Sure was a fun challenge though!

73's Trev KG6CYN
<http://home.earthlink.net/~kg6cyn>
<http://www.qsl.net/kg6cyn>

----- Original Message -----

From: Tom Palmer <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 7:30 PM
Subject: FOX: it's all too easy!?

> No one can honestly say that the Fox Hunting
> was "just too easy" during the QRP-L Fox Hunt of December
> 5th
> (State side time) (December 6 UTC), 2002.
>
> Lots of white noise and heavy QSB.
> Between 0130 to 0230 UTC, 40 meters CW sounded wall-to-wall.
> Band went to pot - almost no CW heard after 0315.
>
> Prediction: The list of Hounds batting 1.000 is going to get
> a lot shorter as a result of this evening's band conditions.
>
> Tom, N1TP
> Naples, Florida
>
>
>
>

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 21:02:15 -0700
From: "Jerry McCollom" <w0mc@radioactivehams.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141538] FOX: W0MC had tough outing!
Message-ID: <006f01c29cdc\$43867a60\$8c01a8c0@hampc>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Wow, what lousy conditions ... my usual luck for being the fox :-)

Looks like I handed out around 55 or so pelts. I've got to give the log a review and I'll post a prelim for folks in the morning. Thanks for putting up with my sloppy fist, hounds, I've not operated in a bit and it certainly showed!! :-)

72,

Jerry
W0MC

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 21:11:47 -0700
From: "Ron KU7Y" <ku7y@tds.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141539] Re: Fox
Message-ID: <008401c29cdd\$9c7ae380\$039eaaad8@ku7y>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi All,

Managed to snag the AZ fox just a bit before 0400z. Good sig here in western AZ but nothing heard of that other critter.....

OK, back in my hole.....

Ron, KU7Y
ku7y@qsl.net
"The two most common elements in the
universe are hydrogen and stupidity"!

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 20:16:35 -0800
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141540] Re: FOX: it's all too easy!?

Message-ID: <20021206041635.GA1332@bob.n7xy.net>

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Disposition: inline

On Thu, Dec 05, 2002 at 10:30:19PM -0500, Tom Palmer wrote:

> No one can honestly say that the Fox Hunting
> was "just too easy" during the QRP-L Fox Hunt of December
> 5th
> (State side time) (December 6 UTC), 2002.
>
> Lots of white noise and heavy QSB.
> Between 0130 to 0230 UTC, 40 meters CW sounded wall-to-wall.
> Band went to pot - almost no CW heard after 0315.

I caught AC7A at 03:51 (559) but was wondering if I really heard WOMC or just imagined it. He seemed to get stronger just before 0400 and I did copy his call, but no contact.

Bob, N7XY

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 20:20:14 -0800

From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [141541] Re: 1 Fox..barely

Message-ID: <20021206042014.GB1332@bob.n7xy.net>

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Disposition: inline

On Thu, Dec 05, 2002 at 10:36:42PM -0500, W2AGN wrote:

> My apologies to AC7A. I just about did everything wrong. He was pretty
> weak here by 0330 when I finally got him, and then I:
>
> 1. Hit the A=B button instead of the A/B button when switching VFOs,
> effectively losing my transmit frequency...while he is coming back to me.

Gee, I'm glad to see I am not the only one who does things like that.

>
> 2. Got him again...and forgot to send my name. (Did send a fill, however,
> after he very politely said "name?" instead of "what's wrong with you,
> stupid?"

>
> I'm going to bed now. Maybe I'll be better in the morning.....
>

> Can't believe I never heard W0MC. He usually booms in here. Guess skip
> was long again.

Sure was, right after the hunt was over, I heard UX4UL in Kiev booming
in.

73,
Bob, N7XY

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 21:32:04 -0800
From: "Dennis W. Farrell" <dfarrell@ridgecrest.ca.us>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141542] (OT?) Need Info on RFI for ICD's
Message-ID: <000901c29ce8\$d4491420\$efccfea9@mfpcc>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

[ICD=Implanted Cardiovascular Defibrillator]
My newly bionic wife just had an ICD implanted. I can find NO useful
information on ham radio & ICD's. Much of what I have found borders on the
ridiculous/useless - e.g., "don't touch the antenna of a CB or ham radio"

If anyone on the list has experience with these devices or knows of a source
of _useful_ information, I'd appreciate learning of it. Otherwise I may
become an SWL (:^<)

Thanks -- W6DWF

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 21:38:58 -0800
From: Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion (E-mail)" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141543] 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
Message-ID: <BF889CEBEFD2D511B993009027F60ABE251B1B@AG-JASMINE-NT4>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"

I'm planning on building a doublet, and I've read on various lists about
using 300 ohm twinlead. Would 450 work as well?? I know it's much heavier
than the twinlead, so that would make a difference when backpacking... Just
looking for something all band that works well, easy to build, etc...

Comments welcome.

Thanks & 72

.mark

Give a man a match, and he'll be warm for a minute, but set him on fire, and he'll be warm for the rest of his life.

Date: Thu, 05 Dec 2002 22:47:43 -0700
From: "Marshall Emm" <mgemm@mtechnologies.com>
To: QRP-L@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141544] FOX: N1FN Lot (at last)
Message-ID: <3DEFD78F.19345.2AA400C@localhost>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

Sorry it's taken so long, but I've been busy. Barely had time to work ONE fox this evening [g]. Usual disclaimers about typos, etc-- please advise corrections as soon as you can.

N1FN

Fox Hunt No. 7, 11/21/02

0200	NQ7X	559	AZ	FLOYD	5W	
0201	KK5LD	559	TX	DAN		5W
0201	W5YR	559	TX	GEORGE	5W	
0202	K5HR	559	TX	DALE		5W
0003	K9UIY	599	IL	VIC	5W	
0203	N9NE	559	OK	TODD		5W
0204	K5DI	579	NM	KARL		5W
0205	WA9TZE	559	WI	JIM	5W	
0205	W0CH	559	MO	DAVE		5W
0206	K4FB	559	FL	PAUL		5W
0206	N4BP	559	FL	BOB		5W
0207	N3BJ	559	VA	ALAN		5W
0208	N4ROA	559	VA	DAN		5W
0208	KG6CYN	559	CA	TREV	5W	
0209	W9UQB/7	559	AZ	MIKE		5W
0210	W5TB	559	TX	DOC		5W
0211	KR5C	559	TX	GEORGE	5W	

0212	K5EOA	559	LA	WAYNE	5W
0213	NK9G	55W	WI	RICK	5W
0213	N1TP	559	FL	TOM	5W
0214	W9XU	559	WI	LON	5W
0215	WA7TQK	559	ID	BILL	5W
0215	WR50	559	TX	DAVE	5W
0216	NK6A	559	CA	DON	5W
0217	N3ZPQ	559	OH	FRANK	4W
0218	VA6RF	559	AB	EARL	5W
0218	N5ZE	559	TX	LEW	5W
0219	VE3FAL	559	ON	FRED	5W
0219	N8XE	559	OH	JASON	5W
0220	KP5H	559	TX	TERRY	5W
0221	W9XT	559	WI	GARY	5W
0222	AC5JH	559	TX	TOM	5W
0223	NG7Z	559	WA	PAUL	5W
0223	W9HL	559	IL	RANDY	5W
0224	AA50	559	LA	VERN	5W
0225	WD7Z	559	NM	DAVE	5W
0225	K5AIC	559	MS	HERB	5W
0226	K4BYF	559	IN	JACK	3W
0227	K8HJ	559	MI	JOHN	5W
0228	VE6EX	559	AB	DAN	5W
0229	K3PH	559	PA	BOB	5W
0229	AB0CD	559	CO	DICK	5W
0230	W8YMO	559	MI	HARRY	5W
0230	K9DC	559	IN	DAVE	5W
0231	K5FSE	599	GA	JACK	5W
0232	WE9K	559	WI	GLENN	5W
0232	W5KDJ	559	TX	WAYNE	5W
0233	K4GT	559	GA	JIM	5W
0234	KB9YIG	569	IN	TONY	500MW
0234	W5USJ	559	TX	CHUCK	
0235	K4ADI	559	SC	FRANK	5W
0235	N5IB	559	LA	JIM	5W
0236	K2ZN	559	NY	AL	5W
0237	W2XN	559	FL	FRED	5W
0238	WB9HFK	559	IL	MARK	5W
0239	AJ4AY	559	AL	JAY	5W
0239	K2TER	559	NY	BILL	5W
0240	AB9CA	559	AL	DAVE	5W
0241	N5YFC	559	LA	WAYNE	5W
0242	AB5XQ	559	AR	BILL	5W
0243	N3XRV	559	PA	CHRIS	5W
0244	WD9F	559	IL	WOODY	5W
0245	AF4LQ	559	KY	MIKE	1W
0245	K2QO	559	NY	MARK	5W
0246	KE6RS	559	CA	RON	5W

0247	N7XY	559	WA	BOB	5W
0247	K8DD	559	MI	HANK	5W
0247	K9IS	559	WI	STEVE	4W
0250	K3ESE	559	MD	LLOYD	5W
0250	AA7EQ	559	AZ	BOB	5W
0251	AA6MMC	559	CA	MIKE	5W
0252	AA7XA	559	OR	FRANK	5W
0252	W3DCG	569	GA	DARIN	5W
0253	K2PQ	559	NJ	FRANK	5W
0254	K4UD	589	SC	BOB	5W
0255	K3IU	559	RI	KEN	5W
0256	WA0RJY	559	WA	JACK	1W
0256	NX8C	559	MI	NIEL	5W
0259	WA8BXN	559	OH	MIKE	5W
0300	AK7D	559	OR	FRED	4W
0302	K0EVZ	559	ND	DOC	5W
0303	N2WW	599	CO	LARRY	5W
0305	KC1FB	339	CT	JIM	500MW
0307	N5FFF	559	LA	JAYNE	5W
0308	N0TK	559	CO	DAN	5W
0309	K0FRP/4	559	NC	AL	5W
0309	W9JOP/4	559	VA	BOB	5W
0310	AC7A	579	AZ	TOM	5W
0311	W4JR	559	CA	BILL	5W
0312	K40AH	559	GA	GAREY	5W
0313	N5EBD	559	TX	KEN	5W
0313	KI0RB	559	CO	VINCE	5W
0314	W0HEP	559	CO	RICH	5W
0315	AD6JY	559	CA	DAN	5W
0316	W6ABC	559	CA	JACK	5W
0319	W3SMK	559	NY	STEVE	5W
0320	KC2CK	559	NY	DON	1W
0322	K1MG/6	559	CA	MIKE	5W
0323	W9JOP	DUPE			
0325	AL0A	559	ME	GREG	5W
0327	W2AGN	559	NJ	JOHN	5W
0328	KC9LC	559	VA	RANDY	5W
0329	N9AW	559	WI	JERRY	5W
0330	W6AZ	559	CA	RON	5W
0332	N0SG	559	CO	JASON	1W
0333	K1KID	559	MA	PHIL	5W
0335	K5DF	559	MS	JOE	5W
0339	KB0AC	559	MN	PAT	5W
0348	KI0II	559	CO	RON	5W
0350	W7LNG	579	OR	BOB	5W
0352	K9IA	559	WI	CHUCK	5w
0354	N9WW	559	IL	JIM	5W
0355	WB6BWZ	599	GA	MATT	5W

0356 NV4V 559 KY PETE 5W
0357 WU9F 559 WI TERRY 5W
0400 KV2X 559 NY FOX 5W
0400 N1FN 559 CO FOX 5W

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Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 00:51:12 -0500
From: Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
To: "Lee Mairs" <lmairs@cox.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141545] Re: Silver contacts source
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.0.20021206003531.00a17ae0@KIH.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

At 09:36 PM 12/5/2002, Lee Mairs wrote:

>Pete -
>How do you propose to attach the new silver dots?
>73 de Lee
>km4yy

Lee , Silver solder would be more than strong enough to the end of the thumb screw but a bit tricky to do. Just heat it on the stove with a borax flux as a torch would blow the dots away. If the dot gets too squirrely I'll drop back temp wise to Stay Bright.

73 Pete NV4V
Norton A/V IO

>----- Original Message -----

>From: "Pete Burbank" <plburbank@kih.net>
>To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
>Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 3:41 PM
>Subject: Silver contacts source

>
>
> > Thanks to those who replied to my query. Later it occurred to me that I
> > could use one of those hand punches
> > and whack out some dots from a piece of silver that I have. I bet you
> could
> > even use orphan solid silver spoons.
> > 73 to all
> > Pete NV4V Ky
> >
> >
> >

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 00:08:28 -0600
From: "Max Moon" <maxmoon@umn.edu>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141546] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <001901c29ced\$e5a3e1a0\$9739fea9@computer>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

When it comes to old radio stores, all is not lost. Next time you're in
Mpls/St. Paul, there are 2 great options.

One is the Amateur Radio Consignment Center on Prior Avenue (just north of
University Avenue) in St. Paul. It's only open Tues & Thurs late
afternoon/early evening, & Saturday AM. Eleven hours per week. But it's well
worth a visit--plan your schedule accordingly. The shelves are groaning &
the walls are lined with drawers & still more shelves. There's a steady flow
of consignment items from boat anchors that work to solid-state-of-the-art
transceivers to test equipment. Hams from far & wide bring in whatever they
have to sell in order to justify whatever they have to buy. Antennas, power
supplies, Vibroplex Champions, Racal receivers, headphones, soldering
stations, etc. Then there's the Center's own inventory of old and
new-old-stock components/parts/odd lots of cable/whatever. There's stacks of
chassis & boxes of knobs & drawers of chokes & tall glass jars full of
wirewound resistors--you get the idea. Need a variable cap out of an old
Hammarlund, give Paul a call. Heck, call him if you want the Hammarlund
itself! You could walk in the door, shop a while, & leave a matter of
minutes later with an entire station, absolutely everything you need, and
all of it finely burnished by years of operating at other QTHs. I did it.

You can too!

The other place--and they've got 3 different locations--is called Axman's Surplus. Sure they've got that WWII gas mask you've been looking for, and the old dentist's chair (don't ask). But they've also got long rows of shelves with surplus and NOS electronic goodies. And it's never the same, one visit to the next, one of their stores to the next of them. You'll find everything from mil-spec components (making my dummy load was really, really, REALLY easy with a fistful of 200 Ohm, 5W, 1% tolerance resistors, although I had to pay for them, they weren't free, no, I expect they cost 10 for a dollar) to huge rolls of multistrand copper wire in every gauge (yes, my 26 gauge hot pink stealth antenna started life at Axman's, 2 cents/foot cut to length). If you didn't find the knob you wanted at the Consignment Center, Axman'll have it. Along with SLA batteries, wall-warts, computer power supplies, hollow interlocking fiberglass poles, and so on. Bring your shopping list and you'll still leave with something you never knew you wanted.

So, sure the temp this morning was 3 degrees F. and the wind good & stiff from the west. You'll forget all that as soon as you start digging in an old cigar box filled with surprises. The past is alive & well in the Twin Cities.

Max, k0max

I have no pecuniary involvement in either of these enterprises although my wife might suggest that I am peculiarly involved. But, hey, the FCC permits that.

Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 23:10:04 -0700
From: "Thomas Kuehl" <ac7a@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141547] FOX: AC7A Preliminary
Message-ID: <004801c29cee\$1e534b80\$0a0110ac@texas6oef4glwm>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Howdy,

That was quite the run; you got the best of this FOX tonight. There isn't much left of my hide!

Here is my preliminary log for the Dec. 5th (local date) FOX Hunt. I recorded 94 pelts, in 34 states and 2 provinces. It may take me a few days

to get the official log compiled; I will be operating the ARRL 160 meter contest the next two nights.

Please let me know of any corrections.

Best regards to all the hounds!

Thomas - AC7A (Tucson)

TIME CALL RST SPC NAME PWR (W)

0201 K3PH 559 PA BOB 5
0202 N9NE 559 WI TODD 5
0202 N0UR 559 MN JIM 5
0203 N5ZE 559 TX LEW 5
0204 KB7WW 559 OR ART 5

0206 W0CH 559 MO DAVE 5
0207 N4ROA 559 VA DAN 5
0208 N1FN 559 CO ET 5
0209 W5YR 559 TX GEORGE 5
0210 N4BP 559 FL BOB 5

0211 W5TB 559 TX DOC 5
0212 K2ZN 559 NY AL 5
0213 K5SR 559 TX DALE 5
0213 VE6JAZ 559 AB ROB 5
0215 K0EVZ 559 ND DOC 5

0217 KK5LD 559 TX DAN 5
0217 N2WW 559 CO LARRY 5
0218 K5DW 559 TX DON 5
0219 AC5JH 559 OK TOM 5
0220 VA6AF 559 AB EARL 5

0221 N3BJ 559 VA ALAN 5
0222 K5JHP 559 TX BILL 5
0223 AJ4AY 559 AL JAY 5
0224 N5EBD 559 TX KEN 5
0225 K4BYF 559 FL JACK 3.0

0226 K5AIC 559 MS HERB 5
0227 K3ESE 559 MD LLOYD 5
0228 VE6EX 559 AB DAN 5
0229 N1TP 559 FL TOM 5
0230 N5IB 559 LA JIM 5

0231 N3XRV 559 PA CHRIS 5

0233 N0WX 529 MN MIKE 5
0233 K9DC 559 IN DAVE 5
0235 K5ZTY 559 TX BILL 5
0235 AE4Y 559 GA KEN 5

0236 WA9TZE 559 WI JIM 5
0238 W0PWE 559 IA JERRY 5
0239 N9AW 559 WI JERRY 5
0239 W9XU 559 WI LON 5
0240 K5FSE 559 GA JACK 5

0242 K5E0A 559 LA WAYNE 5
0243 AA50 559 LA VERN 5
0244 NK9G 559 WI RICK 5
0245 NK0E 559 CO DAVE 5
0246 WE9K 559 WI GLENN 5

0247 K2PQ 559 NJ FRANK 5
0249 W4NJK 559 CA CHARLIE 5
0249 KI0II 559 CO RON 1.0
0251 K6VNX 579 CA ARLEN 5
0252 KC1FB 559 CT JIM 0.5

0254 KR5C 599 TX GEORGE 5
0255 NK6A 559 CA DON 5
0256 KB9YIG 559 IN TONY 5
0301 W0UFO 559 MN MERT 5
0303 AG0T 559 ND TODD 4.0

0304 KR0U 579 CO TIM 5
0305 WR50 559 TX DAVE 5
0306 K5QK 449 LA DON 5
0307 K40AH 559 GA GARY 5
0309 K2Q0 559 NY MARK 5

0310 AF4LQ 559 KY MIKE 5
0311 K4ADI 559 SC FRANK 5
0313 W5KDJ 559 TX WAYNE 0.9
0315 NN5E 559 TX VERN 5
0316 K6MMC 559 CA MIKE 5

0316 AB9CA 559 AL DAVE 5
0318 KG6CYN 559 CA TREV 5
0319 K8CV 559 MI WALT 5
0320 AB5XQ 559 AR BILL 5
0322 WS4S 559 TN CONRAD 5

0323 K0PC 559 MN PAT 5

0324 K0FRP 579 CO AL 5
0324 K5TR 599 TX GEO 1.0
0325 NV4V 559 KY PETE 5
0326 W2AGN 539 NJ JOHN 5

0330 W0RSP 559 SD ADE 4
0331 N8XE 559 OH JASON 5
0332 WB6BWZ 559 GA MATT 5
0332 VE5DC 559 SK JERRY 5
0334 K5OT 559 WI LARRY 3.0

0336 KJ0C 559 MO JIM 5
0337 W5USJ 559 TX CHUCK 5
0339 KV2X 559 NY TOM 5
0341 KQ5U 559 TX TERRY 5
0342 W7GA 579 UT GREG 0.5

0345 AA7EQ 559 AZ BOB 5
0346 K5TCQ 559 TX DOC 5
0346 WD7Z 559 NM DAVE 5
0348 W8YMO 559 OH HARRY 5
0349 N7XY 559 WA BOB 5

0352 KU7Y 559 AZ RON 5
0355 WD9F 559 IL WOODY 5
0400 W0MC 559 CO JERRY 5
0400 AC7A 559 AZ TOM 5

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 00:12:40 -0600
From: Ade Weiss W0RSP <adeweiss@sd.value.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141548] 0300 -- Fade-out
Message-ID: <MK2W3V0KE3VKENJ2WS41JFE932QP.3df03fd8@aweiss>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="windows-1252"

Hi gang:

Here in SD, 30m goes to pot a couple of hours after sunset. Seems that trans-equatorial paths hold up well. ZS6QU has been hanging in there until 0400 or so with a very

good sig. ZD8A just came up ~0550 and he's 589 for real. Worked him a couple of nights ago, and his 1st QSO tonight was with a QRP'r -- didn't catch the call. I was his next, and he flagged me as a dupe... Strange.

72, Ade

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 0:18:27 -0600
From: "Doc K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
To: "qrp-l reflector" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Cc: "doc k0evz earthlink" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
Subject: [141549] Help with 2 Metre frequencies?
Message-ID: <412002125661827832@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII

Gang:

Need help with the frequencies for the local 2-Metre repeaters in Bismarck and/or Mandan, ND. Barnes and Noble did not have an ARRL Repeater Directory in stock, and said they could not order them. Also went to the ARRL site but came up nil.

Anyway--can someone possibly look through your copy of the directory and e-mail me? Sure will appreciate assistance. Thanks in advance.

73,
--Doc/K0EVZ

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 03:14:39 -0500
From: Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>
To: dfarrell@ridgecrest.ca.us,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141550] Re: (OT?) Need Info on RFI for ICD's
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.0.20021206025923.00a08060@KIH.net>

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Dennis, As I recall Medtronix researched the issue. Another source might be AAMI (Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation. A University Medical Library may have bound volumes Of "Health Devices". or other pertinent publications.

73

Pete NV4V

At 12:32 AM 12/6/2002, Dennis W. Farrell wrote:

>[ICD=Implanted Cardiovascular Defibrillator]

>My newly bionic wife just had an ICD implanted. I can find NO useful
>information on ham radio & ICD's. Much of what I have found borders on the
>ridiculous/useless - e.g., "don't touch the antenna of a CB or ham radio"
>

>If anyone on the list has experience with these devices or knows of a source
>of _useful_ information, I'd appreciate learning of it. Otherwise I may
>become an SWL (:^<)

>

>Thanks -- W6DWF

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 05:59:53 -0500 (Eastern Standard Time)

From: "Pastor-kc1di" <elbc2@gwi.net>

To: <schoon@amgt.com>,

"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [141551] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet

Message-ID: <3DF08329.00000D.01776@DOR>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: Text/Plain

Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

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-----Original Message-----=0D

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From: schoon@amgt.com=0D

Date: Friday, December 06, 2002 12:46:44 AM=0D

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion=0D

Subject: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet=0D

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using 300 ohm twinlead. Would 450 work as well?? I know it's much heavier=

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then the twinlead, so that would make a difference when backpacking... Ju=
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looking for something all band that works well, easy to build, etc...=0D
Comments welcome.=0D
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Thanks & 72=0D
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Give a man a match, and he'll be warm for a minute, but set him on fire, =
and=0D
he'll be warm for the rest of his life.=0D
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yes 450 or 600 ohm will work well maybe even a bit better in wet weather
condition.. on H.F. the wider spacing of the lines may affect 10 meter
performace a little but not that much.=0D
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73 Dave kc1di =0D
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Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 06:33:23 -0500 (EST)
From: wb0wao@hotmail.com (Dennis Ponsness)
To: cvest@hit.net
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu (Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion)
Subject: [141552] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <20349-3DF08B03-29@storefull-2153.public.lawson.webtv.net>
Content-Disposition: Inline
Content-Type: Text/Plain; Charset=US-ASCII
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7Bit
MIME-Version: 1.0 (WebTV)

I remember Henry Radio in Butler - got my first rig there, a TS-700A
(still have it too!). Also Associated Radio in Overland Park. And of
course B/A up in KCMO.

72 es oo

Dennis - WB0WAO

NJQRP #329
FPQRP #-347
SOC
#499
FISTS # 9299
GACW #622
ARS #1363

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 05:41:08 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: Mark Schoonover <schoon@amgt.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141553] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0212060535400.1344-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

For backpacking I would use 300 ohm because it's light and rolls up into a small ball. 450 ohm ladder line is better because it has less loss.

What I use for backpacking is a tuned dipole fed with rg-174 the tiny coax. The antenna is easy to adjust when backpacking so you adjust the length for the band you want.

At home I have an 88 foot dipole fed with 450 ohm line.

On Thu, 5 Dec 2002, Mark Schoonover wrote:

> I'm planning on building a doublet, and I've read on various lists about
> using 300 ohm twinlead. Would 450 work as well?? I know it's much heavier
> than the twinlead, so that would make a difference when backpacking... Just
> looking for something all band that works well, easy to build, etc...
> Comments welcome.
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> Thanks & 72
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> .mark
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> Give a man a match, and he'll be warm for a minute, but set him on fire, and
> he'll be warm for the rest of his life.
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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 07:53:54 -0500
From: "E. Roswell" <eroswell@monmouth.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141554] Re: Help with 2 Metre frequencies?
Message-ID: <3DF09DE2.A69BEE4D@monmouth.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Try:
<http://www.artscipub.com/repeaters/states/North-Dakota.asp>

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 07:01:19 -0600
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "'schoon@amgt.com'" <schoon@amgt.com>,
Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141555] RE: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
Message-ID: <01C29CF5.47A65980.nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The 450 ohm line will work as well--actually slightly better, although not measurably so.

72--Nick, WA5BDU

On Thursday, December 05, 2002 11:39 PM, Mark Schoonover [SMTP:schoon@amgt.com] wrote:

> I'm planning on building a doublet, and I've read on various lists about
> using 300 ohm twinlead. Would 450 work as well??

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:11:15 -0500
From: Alex <kr1st@amsat.org>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141556] Regular stickers for magmounts?
Message-ID: <3DF0A1F3.22A51AB0@amsat.org>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Hi there,

I know I had a sticker for the bottom of a magmount antenna, but lost it in the move (just like a soldering iron, which I found after I bought a new one....figures!). I'm not sure there's anything special about those magmount stickers, so I wonder if it is possible to use regular stickers (perhaps the mylar kind). Does anyone have experience with using regular stickers for the bottom of a magmount?

Thanks and 73,
--Alex KR1ST

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 08:10:05 -0500
From: "Tom Palmer" <n1tp@swfla.rr.com>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141557] Re: FOX: N1FN Lot (at last)
Message-ID: <000301c29d28\$cc2ab9c0\$6b2a0843@swfla.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Marshall may have accomplish an impossibility.

This could be the first error free preliminary log.

Tom, N1TP

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:23:15 -0500
From: geoff allsup <gallsup@whoi.edu>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141558] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <3DF0A4C3.60306@whoi.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I was about 10 years old (1961) when my dad started taking me to Jabbour Electronics in Pawtucket, RI. It was on the ground floor of a 3 story tenement building across town from home. Had "everything"!! Mostly you went up to the counter and asked some guy for the things you wanted (one 100 ohm 5% resistor, a couple of 12AU7 tubes, whatever) and he ran around all the stacks and pulled stuff out. And it smelled like an electronics store!! Wonderful! I think it stayed in that spot til the early 70's then built a new place near Interstate 95. May still be there, but haven't been there in 20+ years.... But what a great resource both before and after I got my ticket in early 64 :-)

72,
geoff
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Geoff Allsup, W10H gallsup@whoi.edu or w10h@arrl.net
Upper Ocean Processes Group
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution Woods Hole, MA, USA

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 06:29:52 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141559] FOX: Observations
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0212060612010.1344-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I'm normally a Hound chasing the Foxes on Thursday evening and I was doing that yesterday but didn't hear them because we were too close for the conditions. But I listened around and found there were a LOT of QSO's around 7040. Many sounded like QRO power. One interfered with w0mc but I'm sure both were QRO stations and they didn't hear Jerry.

Where there were QRO stations the Mexican SSB stations moved off to another frequency, many above 7040 where there was no CW activity. I'm sure a 100 watt SSB station hears a 100 watt CW station just fine and considers this interference and moves to another frequency.

So we need to herd the Mexican SSB stations up above 7050 with QRP operators running 100 watts rigs on CW. It only takes 2 guys and we now have a Truffle Hunt, we can add a Herd Dog Crew.

It's nice to see that CW is making a comeback.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 08:29:02 -0500
From: "Steve Lawrence" <Steve.Lawrence@itwfeg.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141560] RE: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <0F65936785.E26D1D6A-0N85256C87.000E32A8-85256C87.004A115E@itwfeg.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

To this day I remember when the Heathkit store went into Cincinnati on the north side of town. What a neat place. You could go in, twiddle the knobs, look inside, review the manuals, get replacement parts... and they would even bench align a completed kit, or repair one..... Dream about the next purchase...

Then there was Coston's on the west side: a real amateur radio store with racks of used equipment. And then a surplus electronics outfit in Norwood (who's name escapes this 40 sumthin' brain), down by Ivorydale and the original P & G plant.

Now, there's Mendleson's in Dayton. A large, imposing old building of 5 floors of surplus stuff of all kinds (only 2 floors are open): one floor is devoted to electronics - narrow isles, industrial racks, stuff loosely categorized, dark, dusty. I recently ran into racks of RL Drake components, probably NOS liquidated from the "golden" era of Drake amateur radio products....

Truly an era has come and gone. Are we any better off??

Steve
aa8af

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:29:22 -0500
From: David Hinerman <WD8CIV@worldnet.att.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141561] Re: The demise of old radio stores

Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.1.20021206082409.00a68560@ipostoffice.worldnet.att.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Lee,

Do you mean Glenwood Sales, on Hague Avenue? (I hope I got that right - I always confuse the name with Foxwood Sales on Columbus, Ohio, which is no more.)

Glenwood sells a lot of industrial surplus. I get PCB material and ceramic disk caps there. They also sell new stuff like Bud boxes. It's physically very much like the dungeons others have described here lately, but the prices aren't in the the "J-38 for a quarter" class.

I don't know the name of the guy that runs the place.

Dave

At 07:54 PM 12/5/2002 -0500, you wrote:

>There used to be a great surplus store on the west side of Rochester when I
>was a graduate student in the early 70s. Believe the owner's name was Sam
>Denisi.

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>Anybody know if it is still there?

>73 de Lee

>km4yy

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>----- Original Message -----

>From: "Thomas H. Busch" <tomb@kiva.net>

>To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

>Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 3:58 PM

>Subject: Re: The demise of old radio stores

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> > There are still a few around, but I fear they are going fast.

> >

> > There are still a few family-owned stores around, like here in

> > Bloomington, IN we have Stansifer Radio. They don't have a web site, I

> > believe it is still a cash business, but they do have a lot of parts.

> > Most of their business is service supply, but they also carry the Jameco

> > stuff.

> >

> > Indianapolis has Milo's still, and I usually find what I need when I go

> > there. There used to be a Dick Smith/American Electronics store in

> > Greenwood, but I think they are gone.

> >

> > Back in Angola, IN, where I went to college, there was Lakeland
> > Electronics Supply. The owner, Donn Laird (also a ham) had a motto:
> > "It's an ill wind
> > that doesn't blow someone's antenna tower down." Last I heard they were
> > still in business.
> >
> > I guess my point is that there are still alternatives to RS, and bless
> > them they're great places to spend an hour or so. I'm afraid that as the
> > owners retire, they will probably close up, though.
> >
> > Tom WB8WOR
> >

A Real Programmer can write FORTRAN in any language.

Dave Hinerman
WD8CIV@worldnet.att.net

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:37:02 -0500
From: W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141562] Re: FOX: Observations
Message-ID: <3DF061AE.23452.51C3D84@localhost>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

On 6 Dec 2002 at 6:29, Karl F. Larsen wrote:

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> So we need to herd the Mexican SSB stations up above 7050 with
> QRP operators running 100 watts rigs on CW. It only takes 2 guys and we

> now have a Truffle Hunt, we can add a Herd Dog Crew.
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> It's nice to see that CW is making a comeback.
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> - Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -
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>

Much as I don't like the Mexican SSB, it IS legal for Mexican Hams to operate SSB there. So doing what you suggest would be unlawful.

Another brilliant idea from Karl!

+-----+ John L. Sielke
|W||2||A||G||N| http://www.w2agn.net [UPDATED]
+-----+ Ex-K3HLU,TF2WKT,W7JEF,W4MPC,N4JS

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 08:49:07 -0500 (EST)
From: Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: Steve Lawrence <Steve.Lawrence@itwfeg.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141563] RE: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <20021206084756.J4903-100000@unix1.vhost.min.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Fri, 6 Dec 2002, Steve Lawrence wrote:

> Truly an era has come and gone. Are we any better off??

It would appear someone is making an effort to catalog the "radio" stores that are still alive.

<http://members.aol.com/kg4erx/surplus.htm>

Thom

baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com	Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
http://www.baltimoremd.com/	Baltimore's Home Page
http://www.baltimorehon.com/	Home of the Baltimore Lexicon
http://www.zerobeat.net	Home of The QRP Web Ring and DrakeList
http://www.tlchost.net	Web Hosting as low as \$3.49/month

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 07:04:54 -0700
From: "Dave Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141564] PIC Wx Station Part 2 from QQ Now on the web
Message-ID: <001101c29d30\$7435d030\$8989fea9@oldman>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

For the few of you following along with my series of articles on building the PIC-based Weather station that's been appearing in N2APB's Digital QRP Homebrewing column in QQ, the second installment has now been posted on the web. It's at

<http://www.njqrp.org/digitalhomebrewing/pic-wx/pic-wx-2.html>

73 de Dave NK0E

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 08:11:12 -0600
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141565] RE: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <01C29CFF.0B5664C0.nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

You guys are killin' me; my violin and hankie are about worn out!

At least you had stores to remember. In the sticks of Arkansas, all I had was catalogs. Allied, World Radio, Henry, Heathkit, and some reason Burstein-Applebee seems to stand out even though it wasn't exclusively ham radio. I wore those catalogs out dreaming of the neat stuff in their pages.

72--Nick, WA5BDU

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 09:51:10 -0500
From: "James Reid" <jreid4@earthlink.net>
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Message-ID: <002f01c29d36\$ec39c900\$a75df7a5@net>
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

WTB: Nor'easter kit. Built or Unbuilt.

Jim, KD3S

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 07:58:32 -0700
From: "Francis Callahan" <colcal@srv.net>
To: <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141567] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <002401c29d37\$f2cedac0\$23ca1341@callahan>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

We in VT and NH had Evans radio in Concord NH till the early 70's. Sure miss the old stores. Rat Shack just dosen't cut it 72 Cal KF7ET misplaced Vermonter in Idaho

----- Original Message -----

From: "Nick Kennedy" <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 7:11 AM
Subject: RE: The demise of old radio stores

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> radio. I wore those catalogs out dreaming of the neat stuff in their
> pages.
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> 72--Nick, WA5BDU
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>

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 10:05:21 -0500

From: Garey Barrell <k4oah@mindspring.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141568] RE: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20021206090256.00a4a140@pop.mindspring.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hmmmmmm.

Usta be lots!

PI Burks in Louisville was "my first" love. Three different locations in my time. From a tiny hole-in-the-wall on Broadway to a BIG store on 9th Street. I worked at the 9th Street store while in high school. Three 100' long shelves FULL of those lovely yellow and black Sylvania tube boxes, (12AX7, \$1.04) is one I still remember! Sold lots of those. A huge storeroom with new Hammarlund, Hallicrafters, National, Johnson, Collins, Elmac and many others stacked on the shelves. Need an SX-100, just haul it out and sit it on the counter. Later moved to the other side of Broadway on 9th and declined to a VCR belt, tape recorder head, repair parts place. RIP.

Universal Radio on 7th Street was the used equipment place. They had some new gear, but all out of my price range. The used equipment room in the back was where I bought my first commercial receiver, an HQ-129X, for \$50. Lots of shelves with the pull-out boxes full of National coil forms and dials, Millen and JW Miller and all the rest of those guys.

A little later in Huntsville, AL was Electronic Wholesalers. A big store with showroom all across the front. A glassed-in room on the left had Drake, Collins, Galaxy, Hallicrafters, Hammarlund, etc., with several "stations" set up on the counter. A tri-band beam on the roof could be switched to any one of the setups. One wall of the room had used equipment trade-ins. The store just happened to be on my way home from work, so I HAD to stop by each afternoon to see what "new" trade-ins had appeared. Another glassed-in room on the right was full of audio equipment, McIntosh, Marantz, Fisher, Thorens, Dual, etc. About twice a year McIntosh would come in and run their "Audio Lab" tests on your equipment, giving you a nice printed graph of your equipment's performance against the McIntosh specs. I still have the print for my Dyna PAS-3 showing one channel ruler-flat under the Mc spec and the other channel rising smoothly to well above the spec line at the high frequency end. I took it home and opened it up and found that someone had put a 12AU7 in place of one 12AX7! Had it for a year and never noticed! :-)) The part-time "job" of running the Ham Radio room was circulated amongst the local hams. While it only paid \$1.00 per hour, first pick of the used trade-ins at reduced prices AND "manufacturer's sales discounts" made it far more valuable. As an example, Drake and Collins gear cost the dealer

75% of list price. But if you were a "salesperson" you were allowed to purchase one of each item at 50% of list. Bought my first R-4/T-4X that way. Most guys worked for six months or a year, then "retired" and let the next guy come in.

Last but not least was Radio-TV Lab in Chicago. This place had to be seen to be believed! Two adjoining storefronts, stacked floor to ceiling (plus shelves hung from the ceiling) with at least one of just about every piece of electronic equipment ever produced.... A Drake R-4A stacked on top of a Heath DX-40 on top of an HQ100, on top of an NC-300 on top of a DX-100 stacked on top of a Heath Marauder. Similar equipment "towers" all around. Looking in the front display window revealed stacks of QST Magazines, tape recorders, transmitting coils, etc. This all in front of a counter about 25' from the front stacked with more stuff and loaded shelves behind that. Only room for one or perhaps two "customers" in a small space just inside the front door. Customers were generally not allowed past this point. The "workbench" just inside the door (a board atop yet another stack of equipment with a shelf holding a VTVM and signal generator) always had a repair job in progress. You told George what you wanted, and he would gingerly pick his way through the tiny pathways, returning shortly with what you needed. A few years ago George decided to "retire" and held a series of weekend "yard sales" in the little courtyard behind the store. Then I heard he had changed his mind, and a little later heard that he had sold the entire store to someone. Haven't been back to see what happened.

Time marches on... I guess.

73, Garey - K40AH
Atlanta

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 08:16:28 -0700
From: "Ron KU7Y" <ku7y@tds.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141569] Re: PIC Wx Station Part 2 from QQ Now on the web
Message-ID: <002c01c29d3a\$7b053cc0\$3a9eaad8@ku7y>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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WOW!!!

What the heck have I been missing without being on the WEB for so long?

Folks I just looked at that link that Dave mentioned and was I ever impressed. NJQRP and ARCI are to be congratulated for making all that available to everyone.

Makes me wish I had someplace to melt solder in this RV.... :-)

The next best thing to the sound of CW is solder fumes..... and if you play your cards right you can combine the two!

OK, back in my hole.....

Ron, KU7Y

ku7y@qsl.net

"The two most common elements in the universe are hydrogen and stupidity"!

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 09:18:24 -0600 (CST)
From: Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>
To: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141570] Re: FOX: Why does the sun do this on Thursday?
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0212060915070.14684-100000@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

For the last three weeks, conditions for the fox hunt here have been...ppfffffffffffft...of the 6 foxii, I've only worked 2 at esp levels...it was pure luck.....such is the nature of fox hunting...hihi....mother propagation rules!....

..72/73 - Bruce (VE5RC+VE5QRP) QRP-C#1 QRP-L#886 ARCI#9683 Zombie#272
A-1 Operator Club - 10/10# 944 - QRP Borg#1 - Whiner#10 -
- VE5QRP SOC#11 - VE5RC SOC#12 - oo#148 - K2#2032 - COG#15 -
"QRP! How sweet it is!" "I am da man wit "DAH" paddle!"

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 10:37:10 EST
From: WE7X@aol.com
To: kr1st@amsat.org, qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141571] Re: Regular stickers for magmounts?

Message-ID: <c.3edba10.2b221e26@aol.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Alex,

I've used the 2" wide mylar packing tape, and just cut the piece to fit. It is very thin, but quite tough. I had use two strips to make it wide enough to cover the bottom, but it has held up for a long time.

Rod Johnson
WE7X

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 10:54:44 -0500
From: dmaliniak@penton.com
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Cc: njqrp@njqrp.org
Subject: [141572] Re: The demise of old radio stores
Message-ID: <0F4410101D.28CAFD96-0N85256C87.0056E44F-85256C87.0057681F@penton.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

To add to the thread on surplus joints, we in north Jersey still have the Electronic Barn in Bloomfield. Off exit 142 on the GSP, I believe (Bloomfield Ave.). :-)

The Barn isn't quite HSC in Santa Clara but it's the closest thing I've seen around here. Don't go there looking for specific stuff; chances are you may not find it. But it's a great place to stock up on assorted parts. They're particularly strong in capacitors, I've found, especially high-voltage types. Lots of weird hardware, too. My junkbox is full of stuff from the Barn.

One good thing is that they're downstairs from (and loosely affiliated with) the world HQ of NTE Electronics. So they stock all the NTE stuff and if they're missing anything, they call upstairs and it gets sent down in about five minutes.

72,
David, AD2A
Glen Rock, NJ

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 09:03:45 -0700
From: "W7KXB" <w7kxb@cox.net>

To: <schoon@amgt.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141573] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
Message-ID: <005e01c29d41\$0e5239a0\$6c886344@ph.cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

either one will work OK. If your going to backpack a qrp rig I would go the 300 ohm ribbon. If using qro at home, go the 450 ohm route.

kxbill

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 08:30:26 -0800
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Cc: <WA6GER@aol.com>, "Jay Bromley" <w5jay@alltel.net>
Subject: [141574] No QRP Content, but I want to share this with my friends
Message-ID: <017701c29d44\$cb22fd00\$4a0b0d0a@dph.dpol.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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On October 6th of this year, I was down at the school working on kitting some kits. About 6 PM I heard lots of sirens. I thought to myself, another accident, hope no one was hurt. About 8 PM, I got tired and went home. Hadn't been home more than 5 minutes when the phone call came. One of my basketball players had just been killed in a car accident after being hit head on by a drunk driver who crossed over into his lane. Michael had no chance to avoid it. He was killed instantly.

I have 2 daughters, and no sons of my own, but I have coached boys basketball for the past 7 years, and have had many "sons". Mike was special though. A wonderful player, but more importantly, a wonderful person. When my father died last year, he came by every day for a couple of months to check on me and make sure I was ok. He even talked with me about how to remember my dad. He was wise beyond his years. I loved that kid. Now he was dead.

That week at school was awful. I had planned on promoting Pacificon big time as it was just 2 weeks away. Now, it didn't matter at all. Monday, Oct. 7th was the worst day of teaching in my life. I did not want to go to work for the first time in my life, but I had to. I had all of my students

who needed me, and the rest of the boys on the basketball team who really needed me, and I needed them. Friday of that week, we had his funeral at school. I cried all through the service, so did most of the team.

We started practice on Nov. 11th. The players and coaches decided that no one would wear #24 until Mike's class graduated. We would hang the jersey in the gym, and we would put his name in the program and in every scorebook. That way Mike would be with us.

Last night was our first game. Mike's Mom and Dad and two sisters came to the game and we had a ceremony at halftime to unveil his jersey hanging below the scoreboard. His Dad pulled the string to unveil the jersey, there was a standing ovation that lasted several minutes, and there were very few dry eyes on the team. We were also behind 11 points to a very, very good team. Mike's mother gave me a hug and said thank you for doing this for him. I told her we needed some more points. She said don't worry, we will win.

With 1 minute and 11 seconds left in the game, we were behind 10 points. With 6 seconds left, our best shooter, a guy we call Larry Bird (real name Brandon Zimmerman) hit a 3 pointer to make the score 62 - 59. They inbounded the ball, and we fouled. 3 seconds left, we are not in the bonus situation, and they get the ball out of bounds. We call time out and the coaches tell the team we have to deny the inbounds pass and get a turnover. They go out, try to inbounds, and can't as we have everyone covered. So they call timeout. We praise our guys, and say we have to do it again. And we do. Same situation, they can't get the ball in and have to call another timeout. The crowd is going wild. Again we tell our guys we have to stop them one more time. They get the ball inbounds this time, but it goes out of bounds off one of their players. Our ball on the side of the court on our end with 2 seconds to play. We call time out. We tell the kids to run the last second shot play that we have worked on in practice. They go out and run it, it works perfectly and "Larry Bird" who made the previous three pointer makes another to tie the game at 62 at the buzzer. The noise is deafening.

Now we are in overtime. Both teams play pretty even trading baskets. We get the ball with 24 seconds left and down by two. The same guy, Brandon Zimmerman, who we call Larry Bird, gets wide open, we get him the ball, and he shoots and makes a 3 pointer to put us up by one, with 12 seconds left in overtime, the only time in the game we have lead. They call timeout set up a play, and it does not work as their last second shot hits the rim and bounces away, the buzzer sounds, and we win.

It was the most unbelievable comeback I have ever been associated with. We trailed by 10 with 1 minute and 11 seconds to play, and won the game. I was moved by the players. You would have expected them to celebrate wildly. They didn't. Everyone of them pointed to the sky as we came together. Our

captain said simply, that was for you Mike. I looked up at Mike's mom, she smiled through her tears. Don't ever tell me that there is no hope for our youth. 72, Doug

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:31:17 -0800
From: "David Ek" <ekdave@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141575] Re: PIC Wx Station Part 2 from QQ Now on the web
Message-ID: <Springmail.0994.1039192277.0.77435700@webmail.pas.earthlink.net>

Gang,

I've been advised that the links to the software for part 2 of the PIC Wx project aren't working. I'll get it fixed and let you know when they're working. Sorry for the delay -

73 de Dave NK0E

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:45:21 -0800
From: "Chuck Adams, K7Q0" <k7qo@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141576] 300 ohm and 450 ohm window/ladder line
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.0.20021206082959.00b2d478@pop.earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Gang,

I have seen this thread going on and yet not a single posting giving hard data.

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The lowest loss is for open wire using #12 wire. And the next best

thing is the window line at 1/2 and 1 inch spacing and BOTH the 300 and 450 ohm lines will have the exact same attenuation factor and they differ in the velocity factor and that probably isn't significant other than determining length of line needed in some applications. The VF for 300 ohms will be 80% and 450 ohms will be 91% so about a 11% difference.

I have used both and I can't tell the difference using antenna matching systems and both do very well. The only thing that I use is the 300 ohm window line since it is smaller, easier to carry, and easier to route through walls, etc. I pick up my supply from the Cable Man at swapfests and you won't find it at Radio Shack.

I used the 300 ohm window line in Lander, WY in sub-zero conditions for SS this year and it did well. Probably nearing the superconducting temperatures. :-) :-) A joke people, a joke.....

My opinions and not those of any organization..... Mileage may vary.....

dit dit es FYI

Chuck Adams, K7QO
<http://www.qsl.net/k7qo> and <http://www.earthlink.net/~k7qo>

Moving to Arizona? ---- Please bring your own water.

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 08:52:19 -0800
From: "Chuck Adams, K7QO" <k7qo@earthlink.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141577] WBL Paddle information wanted
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.0.20021206085006.01bc0a68@pop.earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Gang,

Before it disappears off of ebay.com, some one who is an expert on the history of WBL paddles please go look at item #802155425.

This is an old single lever paddle from W9WBL and precedes the V-22

series, etc.

The above item sold for \$510, so it must have gone to a serious collector.

Let me know if you know about this paddle.

Thanks in advance,

Chuck Adams, K7QO

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Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 10:10:15 -0700 (MST)
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141578] KK5LD Where are you?
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0212061008050.2000-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Will James D. Clark please send me an e-mail. I want to talk
just a little. My address is k5di@arrl.net and easy to remember...:-)

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 11:09:07 -0600
From: "Merton Nellis" <mertnellis@msn.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141579] Re: FOX: it's all too easy!?
Message-ID: <F3581YK6ra9eywCIyne00022922@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

>From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
>Reply-To: nielsen@oz.net

>To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
>Subject: Re: FOX: it's all too easy!?
>Date: Thu, 5 Dec 2002 20:16:35 -0800
>
>On Thu, Dec 05, 2002 at 10:30:19PM -0500, Tom Palmer wrote:
> > No one can honestly say that the Fox Hunting
> > was "just too easy" during the QRP-L Fox Hunt of December
> > 5th
> > (State side time) (December 6 UTC), 2002.
> >
> > Lots of white noise and heavy QSB.
> > Between 0130 to 0230 UTC, 40 meters CW sounded wall-to-wall.
> > Band went to pot - almost no CW heard after 0315.
>
>I caught AC7A at 03:51 (559) but was wondering if I really heard WOMC
>or just imagined it. He seemed to get stronger just before 0400 and I
>did copy his call, but no contact.
>
>Bob, N7XY

Guess I lucked out. I was hearing WOMC early on but was fumbling with the K1 to get the split set up and also forgot that I was still on my battery from the Mon nite ARS sprint and lost power for a few seconds but finally got organized and sent a couple of calls and got him. Next found AC7A under some big QRM and had to fiddle with the filters to copy good enough for a call but his sig kept getting better. Even switched antenna from my 40M inverted V dipole to the 120ft zepp. But back to the dipole because it was less noisy and had a better sig. I have had very good results with the dipole coax fed with my "UFO" balun at the feed point. When I finally called, he came right back. Thanks to both foxes. 72/73 Mert
W0UFO

MSN 8 with e-mail virus protection service: 2 months FREE*
<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/virus>

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 09:58:15 -0800
From: Dave Pomeroy <dave@dpomeroy.com>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141580] Express pcb
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.0.20021206095633.009f33f0@mail.dpomeroy.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

I'm trying to make a new component. After I have it drawn I group it and then when I try to group to component the group to component menu is greyed out. I can't seem to make this work. Anyone have any clues? Thanks for your time.

Dave Pomeroy K7DNP South East Washington

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 18:02:49 -0600
From: "tmyers" <tmyers@academicplanet.com>
To: <lejek@erols.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141581] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!
Message-ID: <007e01c29d83\$fc3e1980\$0100a8c0@newkid>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Point it out to the property management folks. If they appear uninterested in the malfunctioning light as a safety issue, or claim they don't have the funds, offer to fix it or replace it for them because you are a concerned citizen. There are real chances the right people in management don't even know the light has a problem. I'd bet most of them never go outside for a look around.

They probably have a closed circuit system for their TV and Radio needs and it will not be a problem for them. This way will cost you a little but it will be much much fast than going the RFI route through the FCC.

I say this with some experience in the matter as I have just been through the RFI issue with the local power company and it went all the way through their lawyers, the league and the FCC. I did get results but it was no small effort. It will take a long time and the time is measured in years. The league even had a problem like that and it went on for years (3) and it still may not be resolved. Ed Hare should be able to address this issue if you call the league. I would get his opinion if you have any doubts or concerns.

If you can work it out with the people that run the place, you are ahead of the game.

Terry, KQ5U
Spring, Texas

----- Original Message -----

From: Larry Cahoon <lejek@erols.com>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Thursday, December 05, 2002 16:08

Subject: Re: 160m QRN...ARRRRGH!!!

> Can you make it their problem? Do the RFI get into the AM/FM or into one

> or more of the TV channels. Then you can say hey are you having problems

> with interference? I am and it is affecting my TV/Radio and I'm just about

> sure it's that light out there that needs to be replace. And I just know

> if I'm having problems your residents must be having even worst problems

> because they are so much closer to the light.

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> 73 de Larry.....WD3P in MD

> <http://www.wd3p.net/>

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> At 02:42 PM 12/5/2002 -0500, KB0VCC wrote:

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> >Hi Gang,

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> >About 150' from my QTH is a residential structure which houses

> >a private agency with assisted-living apartments for some mentally

> >disabled. On their building is one of those low-pressure sodium lights

> >that goes on and off every few minutes all night long (every night for

> >over a year now). It makes an incredible broad-band racket across all

> >MF & HF bands up through 30m while it's striking the arc.

> >

> >Here's the thing... How can I coerce these folks into turning the dang

> >thing off or replacing the bulb? Based on previous unrelated experiences

> >with them and the fact that they've let this light go for a year now,

> >I doubt that just asking them to address the issue will yield a positive

> >result. Are they not in violation of some Title 47, Part 15 rule of

> >the CFR? I don't suppose the FCC gets involved in these matters.

> >

> >72/73,

> >Dale
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Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 12:40:06 -0500
From: "Glen Leinweber" <leinwebe@mcmail.cis.mcmaster.ca>
To: <k7qo@earthlink.net>
Cc: "qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141582] READ your handbook!
Message-ID: <00a101c29d4e\$84262ee0\$07ea7182@mcmaster.ca>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
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To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 11:45 AM
Subject: 300 ohm and 450 ohm window/ladder line

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Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 13:41:31 -0500 (EST)
From: <igeq100@iupui.edu>
To: "Chuck Adams, K7Q0" <k7qo@earthlink.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141583] Re: WBL Paddle information wanted
Message-ID: <Pine.GS0.3.96.1021206133845.4598J-100000@jade.iupui.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Hi, Chuck -

Boy, am I kicking myself now. I saw such a WBL paddle at the Ft. Wayne, IN hamfest two years ago. It was in rather rough shape, but restorable, and I think I could have had it for a few bucks. Live and learn!

73 es Happy Holidays,

Rich Meiss, WB9LPU

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Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 13:57:36 -0500
From: W2AGN <w2agn@w2agn.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141584] Re: READ your handbook!
Message-ID: <3DF0ACD0.30839.641CD81@localhost>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

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This reminds me, has anyone heard from Bruce, W6TOY?

+---+---+---+---+ John L. Sielke
|W||2||A||G||N| <http://www.w2agn.net> [UPDATED]
+---+---+---+---+ Ex-K3HLU,TF2WKT,W7JEF,W4MPC,N4JS

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 14:02:21 -0500
From: Paul Valko <w8kc@comcast.net>
To: leinwebe@mcmail.cis.mcmaster.ca
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141585] Buy and... Re: READ your handbook!
Message-ID: <132f11139ca0.139ca0132f11@icomcast.net>
MIME-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-language: en
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-disposition: inline

Take Chuck and Glen's advice to heart.

I tell every new ham that the THIRD purchase they make (since they already bought the dual-band HT and speaker microphone) should be a copy of the recent ARRL Handbook.

#1 item on my list of must-have ham accessories.

73! =paul= W8KC
Collector of TenTecs and other fine plastics
Visit the Virtual Ten*Tec museum at:
<http://mywebpages.comcast.net/w8kc>

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From: KD5NWA <KD5NWA@mbayona.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141586] Re: READ your handbook!
Message-ID: <5.2.0.9.0.20021206132612.00a94008@pop.mbayona.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Talking of the Handbooks and Antenna books, I'm looking for a copy of each from the period of just before 1960 to no later than 1964. If anyone has a copy in fairly good condition for a reasonable price send me a email.

Thanks

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Cecil
KD5NWA

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 12:35:46 -0700
From: William R Colbert <w5xe@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141587] Re: READ your handbook!
Message-ID: <20021206.123547.-322727.1.w5xe@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

And if one doesn't care for the ARRL handbook
try the RSGB's Radio Communication Handbook
or earlier editions, or the E&E Radio Handbook
also known the Bill Orr Radio Handbook. All have
similar information, some better presented, some better
construction projects - and if one has shelf space, the
way to go is all three.

73
Ray
If you know the forest, you will not fear, If you do not
know the forest, then you will fear the forest.'Luther Standing Bear'
Ray Colbert, W5XE, 00TC#3618, SOWP#1064M NARTE-NCT2R
QRP-ARCI 5784 El Paso, (FAR WEST) TEXAS

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 15:25:06 -0500
From: Ed Tanton <n4xy@earthlink.net>
To: QRP-L Reflector <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141588] Fwd: Re: [CW] Fwd: WBL Paddle information wanted
Message-ID: <5.2.0.9.2.20021206152419.02094ea8@pop.earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Here's the story...

>From: "Irvin Weinman" <iawein2@cox.net>
>To: "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@earthlink.net>
>Subject: Re: [CW] Fwd: WBL Paddle information wanted
>Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 12:04:09 -0700
>X-Mailer: Microsoft Outlook Express 6.00.2720.3000

>

>Yes, I know the history. Stan Hails, W9WBL of Indianapolis, made about
>twenty of the single lever paddles about 12 years ago for friends of his who
>were CW lovers and belonged to the CF0, (Chicken Fat Operators), a group
>founded by Jim Ricks, W9TO. I got number 2, with my call letters inscribed.
>At the time I was W9GA. Another member of the group, George Ensign, N9HI,
>gave Stan the idea of equipping the lever with a tubular shaped finger
>piece, which he incorporated. Since there was little demand for the the
>single lever paddle, Stan changed his design to the iambic type. About
>two years ago Stan ceased making the paddles in his home workshop, because
>he became involved in helping his wife, a noted artist, in her gallery.
>Irvin W7GX

73 Ed Tanton N4XY <n4xy@earthlink.net>

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OK-QRP QRP-L #758 K2 (FT) #00057

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 15:52:28 -0500
From: "KB0VCC" <kb0vcc@adelphia.net>
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141589] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!
Message-ID: <000301c29d69\$63d510f0\$6a01a8c0@dalenotebook>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Wow, thanks for the tips, gang. I discovered today where the main
office is (it's in another town) for this place, and also know what
electrician they used when they converted this place to its present
use. I think I'll try the "concerned neighbor" route as was suggested.
My plan is to contact the head-office and offer to hire their electrician

to fix the light at this location. Given the caliber of staff they hire, under-trained, uneducated, poor hygiene, etc., I suspect they are a cash-poor organization and such an offer may be hard for them to refuse. At this point I am willing to PAY to make this QRN problem go away. The QRN I hear is without a doubt coming from that light. I can watch it while listening to the radio and hear the QRN it's causing. If they will just let me fix this problem for them, I might even get to check into the NE-QRP net again! Dare to dream, Dale...

On a side-note, I had an issue last summer with a noisy insulator on the pole just outside my home. I dropped PSNH an email describing the problem. Within 24 hours there was a tech out there with a RX and Yagi sniffing around. 24 hours later, there were FIVE utility trucks that descended upon the neighborhood. Not only did they change that insulator, they changed several insulators on 3 other poles! They even replaced a (mercury-vapor) streetlight bulb on the corner, that they also suspected might also be a noise source. The next day, I got a call from their customer service person who wanted to know if everything had been taken care of, then told me not to hesitate to contact them in the future if anything like this happens again. WOW! Now THAT level of support and quality of service I would never expect from a utility company! Kudos to PSNH!

Thanks again to all who responded.
72/73,
Dale

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 16:09:53 -0500
From: David Hinerman <WD8CIV@worldnet.att.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141590] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.1.20021206160624.00a73630@ipostoffice.worldnet.att.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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Dale,

Sounds like you've got a real keeper there in your utility company!

As for your plan to help out with the noisy light next door, it sounds like
a winner.

Dave

A Real Programmer can write FORTRAN in any language.

Dave Hinerman
WD8CIV@worldnet.att.net

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 21:16:37 GMT
From: w2xn@netzero.net
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141591] OT - Need Schematics
Message-ID: <20021206.131659.16423.70289@webmail05.lax.unttd.com>

I need schematics for a TenTec Argonaut 505 and power supply model 252G

Please respond directly to w2xn@netzero.net or w2xn@att.net

Thanks,

Fred w2xn

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 16:21:42 -0600
From: W2EB <w2eb@twcnny.rr.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141592] PCB Drilling Question
Message-ID: <3DF122F6.2A58E010@twcnny.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

My trusty old set of flat drill bits is truly starting to show it's age. I used this set to "grind" away copper from the holes on the ground plane of the top side of a double-sided PCB.

I've searched high and low for a similar set, or even individual bits, but had no luck.

Thus:

1- Am I calling them the wrong thing? These bits are either straight shanked, or fluted, with a slot on either side of the shank, and a flat cutting/milling surface. Typical sizes ranged from 1/4" to 1/32"

2- What do YOU do to remove this unwanted copper? I've found using these bits to be a quick and accurate way to remove this unwanted surface, but I'm always open to new methods.

3- Anyone know where these might be available?

This IS QRP related, as I use these tools to build most of my QRP gear.

73,

Bill
W2EB

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"Thomas Hodgkin died of natural causes"

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 13:40:23 -0800
From: "Trevor Jacobs" <kg6cyn@earthlink.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141593] Rock-Mite Magic!!!
Message-ID: <028501c29d70\$156c1ce0\$8bbeb2d1@tjacobs>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
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73's Trev KG6CYN
<http://home.earthlink.net/~kg6cyn>
<http://www.qsl.net/kg6cyn>

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 16:50:11 -0500
From: Steven Weber <kd1jv@moose.ncia.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [141594] Lesson learned.
Message-ID: <3.0.6.32.20021206165011.007ac100@mailhost.ncia.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Well, what's that old saying?
Leave well enough alone?

Learned that again today. Decided to get the vertical part of my new 160M "L" antenna up a few feet higher by tacking on some fiberglass tent poles to the top of the PVC mast. That part went easy enough and the top is now about 25 feet high instead of just 17. But when I yanked on the wire to free some up for the extra highth, it broke! (#24 solid, got miles of it) Had to restring the whole thing through those nasty knarly tree limbs, other side of the back fence. WIth only an hour of daylight left. At least it was warmer today and managed to get it done. Hope it was worth the effort!

72,
Steve, KD1JV
"Melt Solder"
White Mountains of New Hampshire
<http://www.qsl.net/kd1jv/>

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 17:09:36 -0500
From: Michael Pupeza <mpupeza@sympatico.ca>
To: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141595] Re: 160m QRN...ARRRGH!!!
Message-ID: <BA168A50.12B8E%mpupeza@sympatico.ca>
Mime-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
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One trick that the Amateur Astronomers do, is to shut off the light while they are observing.
How do you do that?
It ain't hard. They use a laser pointer and set it on a tripod and aim it at the photocell on the top of the light!
Zap! It's off!
I have tried it myself with a local light at a park, and it worked fine.
I don't know how long the batteries in the pointer will last.
73
Mike VE3EQP....>

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 22:16:39 -0000
From: "Norman Zoltack" <k3nz@enter.net>
To: <kg6cyn@earthlink.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141596] Re: Rock-Mite Magic!!!
Message-ID: <000601c29d75\$26ae8060\$96a6c1d8@normanzo>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Amsazing little box - mine is in the Altoid tin! My first qso was in cedar Rapids Iowa!! Long haul from EPA.I have worked 16 states in first 3 nights and had my sig heard in Puerto Rico but the op missed the last letter of my call! The receiver is amazing also - I had 2 chances at KL7 and also 2 chances at German stations!! Using a Hy-Gain 204BA with my Rock Mite 20!!

Amazing how many Rock Meters are out there!! 73 de Norm K3NZ

----- Original Message -----

From: Trevor Jacobs <kg6cyn@earthlink.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 21:40 Z
Subject: Rock-Mite Magic!!!

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Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 14:26:14 -0800
From: "Ian Wilson" <ianmwilson@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141597] OT: Presentation-quality schematics
Message-ID: <006001c29d76\$7ceb6aa0\$0b02a8c0@WorkGroup>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

What's the best schematic editor for a) web-page schematics, b) printed
schematics? Highly subjective opinions welcomed :)

de ian, k3imw/6

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 16:30:23 -0600
From: Chuck Carpenter <w5usj@9plus.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu, QRPp-I@yahoogroups.com,
Rock-Mite_Group@yahoogroups.com
Subject: [141598] Rock-Mite Q6 Transistor Test
Message-ID: <3.0.2.32.20021206163023.007bfd90@mail.9plus.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Rock-Mite'rs,

Here's the results of a simple test to compare some options for Q6.

A much better test using a scope and precision load would provide more informative results. There are other more accurate methods too. It would also be useful to measure the Q6 voltages for each combination to determine current, power and device dissipation. Something to work on for the future.

Measurements were made on a modified 30 meter R-M. A sample of comparative measurements was also made on 40 meters [nn]. On 40, all parts were stock except R18 and Q6. Supply voltage to the R-M was 13.0 V. Power meter is a WM-2 and 50 ohm load. (The R-M is sensitive to load changes -- more later.) R18 in Ohms, power in Watts. [xx] = 40 meter Watts.

R18	2n2222A	2x2n2222A*	3x2n2222A*	2n2219A	2n3053A
2	-----	1.2	1.3 [1.6]	1.0 [1.1]	.9 [1.0]
3	-----	1.1	1.1 [1.5]	.95	.85
5.1	.75**	1.0	1.0 [1.3]	.8 [.95]	.75 [.9]
7.5	.7	.9	.9	.75	.65
10	.65	.8	.8 [.9]	.65 [.65]	.6 [.65]

* Transistors matched and connected in parallel

** Power output drops off rapidly

The WM-2 scale does not have scale divisions between .5 W to .7 W and .7 W to 1.0 W. Values in the table are extrapolated as best I could in these ranges. As I mentioned, more precise and accurate measurement methods are needed to gain more useful information.

Rock-Mite load sensitivity. During various experiments with the Rock-Mite values, I noticed that Q6 would heat quickly when the antenna load was mismatched. Using a transmatch to make the output happy made a significant difference in repeatability of power measurements. Also, a small mismatch would produce a wide range of power readings with any given batch of parts.

Use of a transmatch with an absorbtive bridge would be my recommendation for best results with Rock-Mites and various antennas. A ZM-2 is one such and there are several others. Look at the Obsidian Rock-Mite by Lew, N5ZE, on the Rock-Mite Files website. His R-M uses this type of bridge built into the R-M enclosure.

Email Alt: w5usj@arrl.net

Chuck Carpenter, W5USJ, Point, Rains Co., TX - EM22cv, NETXQRP #1
QRP-ARCI #5422, QRP-L #1306, QRPP-I #115, ARS #1280, SOC #57
Zombie #759, COG #11, 6 Club #201, NETXQRP <http://www.netxqrp.org>

Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 17:35:03 -0500
From: Kenneth Hoglund <hoglund@wfu.edu>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141599] Time for Moxie!
Message-ID: <3DF12617.7525B884@wfu.edu>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Those legions of enthusiastic Elecraft users talk much of the mysterious "mojo" that grows in Aptos and gets installed as standard features in K-rigs and Little Leaguers.

Given the recent wonders reported for Rock-Mites, the continuing praise for the DSW rigs, and my own continuing amazement at the White Mountain rigs, it's time to call Dave's mysterious force what it is---Moxie!

According to the legend, an officer who served in the Civil War plunged into the jungles near the Straits of Magellan and discovered a plant which possessed great powers. It's extract is supposedly used in the first mass marketed soft drink, Moxie. And, I submit, it must be the reason why Small Wonder Lab rigs amaze, astound, and astonish their users.

So the next time a Rock-Mite emerges from the bench with powers beyond their mere milliwatts remember--it's the Moxie!

73
Ken

PS. An entertaining website on all that is Moxie is
<http://www.xensei.com/users/iraseski/>

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 18:04:07 -0500
From: "Howard Kraus" <K2UD@adelphia.net>
To: <leinwebe@mcmail.cis.mcmaster.ca>
Cc: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141600] Re: READ your handbook!
Message-ID: <005801c29d7b\$c80c9040\$35623018@buf.adelphia.net>
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Just when you think you know it all, read your handbook! Every time I pick mine up, I end up learning something new (to me) that makes me more proficient at the hobby or at work. You also cannot have enough handbooks. I have modern day, 15-25 year old HB's, and a couple from the golden age that I will probably have to will to somebody when I'm no longer pushing dits and dahs. My personal favorite subject concerns vacuum tube technology that just screams real radio to me!

72

Howard Kraus, K2UD
----- Original Message -----
From: "Glen Leinweber" <leinwebe@mcmail.cis.mcmaster.ca>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 12:40 PM
Subject: READ your handbook!

> Folks,
> It bears repeating that the ARRL HANDBOOK is a superb
> resource for learning about all aspects of ham radio. Its at my bedside
> table - its non-fiction, and you can read a chapter like a novel. Everyone
> can learn something new. I've been reading it for 30 years and can
> attest that there's still stuff to learn. Its chock full of useful tables
> too,
> that requires SOME familiarity to know they're there.

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> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Chuck Adams, K7QO" <k7qo@earthlink.net>
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
> Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 11:45 AM
> Subject: 300 ohm and 450 ohm window/ladder line
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Date: Fri, 06 Dec 2002 18:15:32 -0500
From: Ed Tanton <n4xy@earthlink.net>
To: QRP-L Reflector <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141601] OT/Stubborn file to remove
Message-ID: <5.2.0.9.2.20021206175744.0203ae10@pop.earthlink.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hi folks... I just got through going through a lengthy effort to delete a recently downloaded file. Wasn't a ZIP, or an EXE but a corrupt Targa graphic file that none of my graphics program would even recognize as a graphics file of any sort. Wouldn't delete within WIN. I mostly use ONTRACK Systems PowerDesk PRO v 5 for 99% of my file utility chores. PDP v5 has a DESTROY function too, if you REALLY want a file to go away. Wouldn't do that either. Error message was that the file was in use by another program. NOT TRUE!

Went to DOS. I could get all the way to the DIR, and see the file listed (which came as a bit of a surprise, because part of the address has 'pure' spaces in it.) Different error message, but same result. Even when I tried my most famous old reliable trick for corrupt file deletions when WIN just won't work: from within THE empty file DIR where the file is located (I moved everything else out 1st!!!) type: "DEL *.*" . Now you better darn sure BE in that DIR or you're in for a bad night. Wouldn't do that either.

Hm-m-m.

Went to Norton SystemWorks > Norton Utilities. Figured I'd check the file to see if there was anything I could use on it. (Tried a look by NAV 1st, by the way, just to make sure it wasn't a VIRUS or TROJAN-in which case the "in use etc" message would have made dreadful sense. No problem[s] there.) Tried a couple of things, but none of them mattered... then noticed a

routine similar to the DESTROY function of PowerDesk, under System Maintenance called: "Wipe Info". Figured it was the same as DESTROY, but also figured it couldn't hurt to try. BINGO! I don't know what it did differently from PDP5's DESTROY... but whatever it was, it certainly did the job.

WHEW!

73 Ed Tanton N4XY <n4xy@earthlink.net>

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SEDXC NCDXA GACW QRP-ARCI
OK-QRP QRP-L #758 K2 (FT) #00057

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 18:20:43 -0500
From: "Dave Richards" <wr3i@earthlink.net>
To: <k5di@zianet.com>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [141602] RE: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet
Message-ID: <FAEEKPCBNNDNKGMPIBKCENDCJAA.wr3i@earthlink.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
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-----Original Message-----

From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of
Karl F. Larsen
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 7:41 AM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet

For backpacking I would use 300 ohm because it's light and rolls up into a small ball. 450 ohm ladder line is better because it has less loss.

What I use for backpacking is a tuned dipole fed with rg-174 the tiny coax. The antenna is easy to adjust when backpacking so you adjust the length for the band you want.

At home I have an 88 foot dipole fed with 450 ohm line.

On Thu, 5 Dec 2002, Mark Schoonover wrote:

> I'm planning on building a doublet, and I've read on various lists about
> using 300 ohm twinlead. Would 450 work as well?? I know it's much heavier
> then the twinlead, so that would make a difference when backpacking...

Just

> looking for something all band that works well, easy to build, etc...

> Comments welcome.

>

> Thanks & 72

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> .mark

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> Give a man a match, and he'll be warm for a minute, but set him on fire,
and

> he'll be warm for the rest of his life.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 18:43:55 -0500

From: "w8diz" <w8diz@fpqrp.com>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Subject: [141603] Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet

Message-ID: <001601c29d81\$576fc540\$b8cf1d41@cinci.rr.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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No such thing as a proper dipole!!!

A tuned dipole would be a multiple of 1/2 wavelengths

A proper dipole...you got me...all dipoles are proper :-)

unless you live in a restricted PUD

72 & "oo's" - Dieter (DIZ) Gentzow - W8DIZ - Loveland, Ohio
Clermont County - EM79uf - near Cincinnati; 39:13:05N 84:18:18W
FP#-1 DLQRPAG-1454 ARCI-10226 ARS-781 QRPL-1998 HIqrp-400
<http://kitsandparts.com>

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 17:51:6 -0600
From: "Doc K0EVZ" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
To: "qrp-l reflector" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Cc: "doc k0evz earthlink" <dock0evz@earthlink.net>
Subject: [141604] Need 4-conductor computer cable
Message-ID: <412002125623516730@earthlink.net>
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Gang:

Hoping to build a Norcal Doublet. Anyone have 100'-200' or so of the flat
4-conductor ribbon you can part with? Let me know, along with the price.
Thanks very much [g].

73,
--Doc/K0EVZ

Date: Fri, 6 Dec 2002 18:54:18 -0500
From: "Dave Richards" <wr3i@earthlink.net>
To: <w8diz@fpqrp.com>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
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My point exactly?
Dave

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From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of
w8diz
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 6:44 PM
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion
Subject: Re: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet

No such thing as a proper dipole!!!

A tuned dipole would be a multiple of 1/2 wavelengths

A proper dipole...you got me...all dipoles are proper :-)

unless you live in a restricted PUD

72 & "oo's" - Dieter (DIZ) Gentzow - W8DIZ - Loveland, Ohio
Clermont County - EM79uf - near Cincinnati; 39:13:05N 84:18:18W
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From: "Dave Richards" <wr3i@earthlink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 6:20 PM
Subject: RE: 300 vs 450 Ohm Ladderline for Doublet

I don't understand? what's a tuned Dipole as apposed to a proper dipole?
Dave

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From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of
Karl F. Larsen
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2002 7:41 AM
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